Put on your Early Winters' Gore-Tex® Rainwear for . . .

Impressive protection from wind, water and your own body's moisture!

It used to be that no single garment could possibly give you complete and comfortable protection from water, wind, and your own body moisture.

But now that's all changed.

The solution? Early Winters Gore-Tex Rainwear—just possibly the most versatile piece of clothing you'll ever wear.

It combines the weight of a windbreaker, the rain protection of North Atlantic foulweather gear and the breathability of Gore-Tex laminated fabric to keep you dry on the inside as well.

Because as we proved with the now famous Light Dimensioetent (pg. 10), Gore-TelMs the one waterproof fabric that truly breathes . . so not only does it keep moisture out, but it lets it out as well. (See "The Gore-Tex Story", pg. 4.)

Combined with our new Gore-Tex wind and rain pants (pg. 30), you'll experience the most complete multipurpose body protection ever available.

Send for your Gore-Tex Parka or Anorak today, and experience the pleasure of owning and wearing one of these remarkable, lightweight garments. It's the only way to get total protection from wind, rain, and snow . . . without getting wet & clammy inside when you're really active.

Fully guaranteed, of course!

Colors: Blue/Navy; Green; Gold/Orange
See pgs. 2&3 for sizes; more information.

Early Winters Gore-Tex Parka
No. 1211 ..... $79.95 ppd

Early Winters Gore-Tex Anorak
No. 1221 ..... $62.95 **ppd**

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Early Winters' Gore-Tei Rain Wear

Better than a pack full of clothes.

Your Early Winters Gore-Tex Parka or pull-over Anorak will be like owning several garments . . . only better! No combination of rain or wind wear can give you the coin-fort and protection of a single Early Winters Parka.

Made from Gore-Tex, it's both waterproof to keep you dry from the rain, yet breathable to help keep you dry from yourself. And at the same time it stops the wind better than any windbreaker ever made!

More than its share of special features.

Any Gore-Tex garment would be a phenomenon by itself. But we took it a step further. We developed special patterns and features to give you good looking, high performance outdoor wear.

Experience with these parkas has shown that they may well be the most versatile jackets ever made. Whether you need life-saving weather protection on a severe mountaineering expedition; rain gear for backpacking, sailing and cycling; or a "double duty" garment to wear to work . . . Early Winters' rain wear fills the bill.

Control your heat precisely with the handy underarm zippers.

Now available in 3 color combinations.

Just possibly the most versatile jackets ever made!

Here are just some of the special features which will make the Early Winters' Gore-Tex Parka the most versatile garment you've ever owned!

• Designed for action . . . styled for good looks.

We started from scratch to develop patterns which not only look good but also really work. These garments have raglan sleeves and are cut in such a manner as to allow you full use of your arms without fighting the garment. You can lift your arms above your head and the parka won't bind or ride up.

• Adjustable underarm vents for easy temperature control.

Double separating zippers run from your elbows to near the bottom of the Parka and Anorak to allow you to vent off excess heat when you are really active. These zippers also allow you access to your coat or pants pockets.

The zippers are silicone treated and covered with double plackets for complete weather protection. Colorful 3" Cordura Lace pulls are attached to each zipper to make them easy to operate. The vents can be opened or closed while wearing heavy mitts . . . even while riding a bicycle!

• Unique hood for real head protection.

Finally, a hood that really works!

Our unique, contour-fitted 3 piece hood gives you full head protection . . . without the loss of your peripheral vision. Even when you draw the hood closed in bad weather, you won't feel as if you are looking through a tunnel.

An overhanging bill with a stiffener keeps rain and snow from your eyes, glasses or goggles. If you wear prescription glasses you know that this is more than a convenience . . . it's a real necessity.

Have great head protection without the loss of your side vision.

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It's a Gore Tex bag cover, a 1 lb. shelter, & a bivouac sack . . .

The Sleep Inn

This beautiful, thoroughly functional Gore-Tex'sleeping bag cover started out as a practical means of giving any sleeping bag the advantages of a Gore-Tex bag. Along the way some of our climbing friends saw the prototypes and started sizing them up as bivouac sacks. "Dy-na-mite !" and "Just what we've been begging for," they said.

So what is it? Well . . . it's really both!

The Sleep Inn as bag cover.

Slip the Sleep Inn over your sleeping bag and you have an instant foul weather bag. The Sleep Inn will keep dew, drips, and rain from saturating your bag. Now you can enjoy a good night's sleep in spite of the weather.

Because Gore-Tex is windproof, it holds heat quite well. Your Sleep Inn will dramatically extend the comfort range of your present bag. As a rule of thumb, expect it to make a light bag suitable for 3 season use and change a spring/summer/fall bag into a reasonable winter bag. If you already have a winter bag, the Sleep Inn can give it expeditionary capabilities.

In the summer you may want to leave your tent at home and use your bag as a 16 oz., 1-person shelter! Mosquitos can't bite through it . . . if it rains you'll stay snug and dry . .. and if you get too hot in your bag, just sleep on top of it under the Gore-Tex® shell.

Remember, too, that good sleeping bags are expensive these days. Your Sleep Inn will protect your bag from dirt and abrasion and will save you money on cleaning bills. It'll insure that you get the full life and value out of your sleeping bag.

The Sleep Inn as bivy sack.

The Sleep Inn gives you light weight protection against wind, water, and convective heat loss. At the same time, it nearly eliminates condensation . . . an ever present irritant in ordinary bivouac bags.

The strong 2.2 oz. tent floor material used on the bottom and foot section make the Sleep Inn abrasion resistant enough for bivouacing in nooks and on ledges.

The Sleep Inn is an individual shelter and gives you complete individual protection. If you've ever taken a double bivy sack on a climb, only to find that there isn't any place with enough room for two people, you don't need any explanation concerning the merits of this feature.

If the weather gets had, lust flip up the Gore-Tex'hood. Your Sleep Inn will give you head to toe protection.

You'll get a good night's sleep in spite of the weather

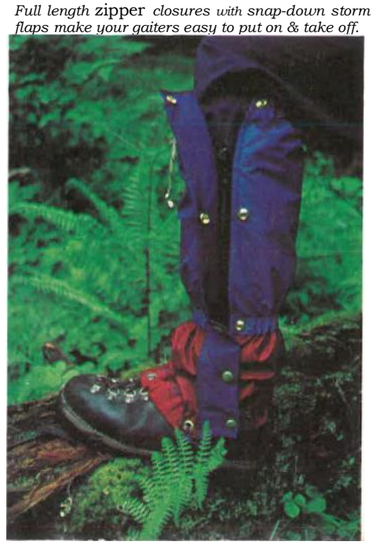
Sleep in a Sleep Inn.

The Sleep Inn comes in two sizes to suit your needs. The regular length is 7' long and takes all sleeping bags for people up to 6' tall. The long length is $7^1/_2$' and is for people 6' and taller.

Sleep in a Sleep Inn yourself. See if you don't find it a highly practical piece of outdoor equipment. If you are not completely pleased with it, just return it within 30 days for a full refund or exchange—as you wish.

Color: Gold Gore-Tex® top with silver grey coated nylon ripstop floor.

Full length zipper *closures with snap-down storm flaps make your gaiters easy to put on & take off.*



Leg it in dry comfort . . .

High gaiters in Gore-Tex®

Here are full size Gore-Tex gaiters to give you waterproof protection from your ankles to your knees. You'll get the same great protection as with regular waterproof gaiters . . . without the condensation inside!

When you need to keep rocks, debris, and snow from getting in your boots, zip on your Early Winters' Gore-Tex® gaiters. Your feet will stay dryer, more comfortable year 'round in spite of rain, mud or snow. Because the Gore-Tex® membrane is sandwiched between two layers of fabric, your Gore-Tex gaiters won't lose their waterproofness with time, as do ordinary gaiters as the fabric coating wears out. With Gore-Tex gaiters you'll always be sure of **staying dry—from rain and snow as well** as internal condensation.

Order your Early Winters' Gore-Tex gaiters today. Wear them skiing and snow-shoeing, mountain climbing and exploring, as well as on muddy trails or through wet grass and dripping vegetation. Gore-Tex® gaiters give you that extra margin of comfort to add miles to your day and enjoyment to the miles. Weight: 9 oz./pair

Early Winters' Sleep Inn w/stuff sack
Regular, No. 3011 ..... $39.95 ppd
Long, No. 3021 ..... $42.95 ppd

Early Winters Gore-Tex® Gaiters
No. 4121 ..... $29.95 ppd

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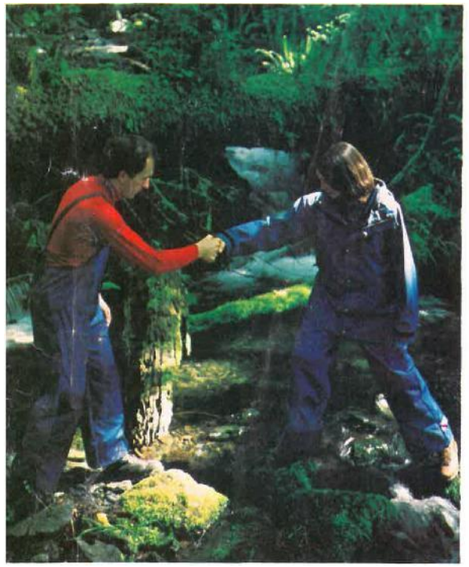
Gore-Tex rain & wind pants for total outdoor protection.

These new Gore-Tex© pants from Early Winters are the second half of our answer to the long search for a multipurpose outdoor garment. They cut the wind better than a windbreaker, stop rain like waterproof pants, and prevent condensation by diffusing away water vapor. Needless to say, they're the perfect accompaniment to your Gore Tex Parka or Anorak (pg. 2&3).



New Gore-Tex rain & wind pants. Designed for active use all year 'round.

Created for action . . . made for rugged use.

Our Gore-Tex© pants are tailored to give you plenty of room to wear them over your regular pants and have total freedom of movement. They're cut high front and back to give you greater wind and water protection than pants that merely come to your waist. What's more, the bibs with suspenders mean that Early Winters' Gore-Tex® pants don't bunch up uncomfortably around your waist where your regular pants, pack waist belt, and climbing rope all meet.

Your Early Winters' Gore-Tex© wind and rain pants are made for hard use. They're cut from a tough 3-layer Gore-Tex® laminate and feature reinforcing patches of 6 oz. Oxford cloth on the inside of the ankles, at the knees, and on the seat. Strong, reinforced stitching is used throughout to assure you of hassle-free use trip after trip.

Special features.

The generous cut and Velcro® adjustment tabs at the bottom of each leg means you can slip your pants on and off without removing your boots. When the wind is particularly fierce, tighten the adjustment tabs to seal off the legs for maximum comfort.

Need a knife from your pocket? Reach ZU" it through one of the convenient slash access slots on the side of the pants. The access slots open and close with strong zippers and are covered with storm flaps for full protection.

Adjustment tabs on legs.

A long 14" zipper with storm flap and double sliders opens and closes the front of the pants. Nylon Fix Lock® clips on the suspenders make it easy to remove the pants while wearing your parka.

Access slots.

Fully Guaranteed.

Send for your Early Winters Gore-Tex pants today. Within days of ordering, you'll begin to experience the great versatility and new degree of comfort which only Gore-Tex® clothing can give.

If for any reason you're not more than pleased with your Early Winters' Gore-Tex pants, if you don't find them the finest, most comfortable rain and wind pants you've ever worn, just return them postpaid and insured within 30 days for a full refund or exchange, as you wish.

Sizes: Offered in 4 sizes & 2 inseam lengths per size. Indicate your size on the order form as follows: medium size with regular inseam=MR; small size with long inseam= SL etc.

Size	Regular Waist*	Regular Inseam	Long Inseam
Small	37"		$29^1/_2$"
Medium	41"	$26^1/_2$"	$31^1/_2$"
Large X-	45"	$28^1/_2$"	$33^1/_2$"
Large	49"	$30^1/_2$"	$35^1/_2$"
		$32^1/_2$"	

**Actual waist size of pants. Remember that you'll be wearing your Gore-Tex pants over regular pants, Small size fits people who regularly wear pants with a waist size up to 30", mediums to 34", Large to 38", and X-tra Large above 40".*

Color: Blue
Weight: Medium Size, 15 oz./pair

Early Winters' Gore-Tex Pants

No. 1230 ..... $59.95 ppd

Studies by the United States Army show that a fabric which resists water entry to 25 pounds of pressure per square inch will keep you dry under all outdoor exposure conditions. Gore-Tex laminated fabrics resist water to 65 psi. Yet, though waterproof, a Gore-Tex laminated fabric passes out water vapor as readily as woven Ventile cotton! Gore-Tex is both waterproof to keep you dry from the rain and breatheable to let body moisture escape to help keep you dry from yourself.

MATERIAL	Water Entry Pressure in PSI	Moisture Vapor Transmission Gm/M²/24 hrs.
Gore-Tex Laminate	65	4800
2 Layers of Ventile	4	4900
60/40 Cloth	0.5	5200
K.Kote-Islylon	40	500
Bukillex Fabrie	110	93

Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope for a free sample of Gore-Tex, test results, and proof that Gore-Tex really does work!

(The Gore-Tex Story—cont. from page 7)

and separates rain (liquid water) from water vapor (gaseous water). A drop of water is many, many times larger than a Gore-Tex pore; a water molecule is much smaller. Instead of separating solids from liquids, Gore-Tex® separates liquids from gasses.

What makes the gas move through the Gore-Tex© strainer? Heat.

When you're camped in your Light Dimension, or hiking in our new rain wear, or sleeping in a Gore-Tex bag or our Sleep Inn bag cover, the heat from your body makes the temperature inside of the tent, garment, or bag, higher than the outside. The water vapor moves, away from you, by a process of diffusion through the Gore-Tex laminate to the outside air.

Gore-Tex gear not only keeps you dry from the rain . . . it lets body moisture escape to keep you dry from yourself!

Try it yourself and see!

Words alone can be no substitute for actually seeing, inspecting and using a real piece of Gore-Tex gear . . . whether it's our unique $3^1/_2$ lb. 2-person tent, or a garment from our great new line of weather beating rain apparel.

Order any piece of Gore-Tex gear from this catalog. Examine it at your leisure. Wear the garments to work and around town. Note the high quality of workmanship and rich detailing. Then put it to the real test . . . use it on your next trip in the outdoors.

See if you don't agree that this gear outperforms in design, good looks, and function, any similar piece of outdoors equipment you've ever used.

If you are not more than satisfied with your purchase, just return it postpaid and insured within 30 days and we'll either exchange or refund your order as you wish. No ifs, ands, or buts.

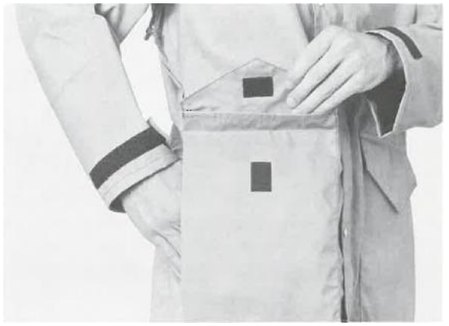
Fair enough?

• Internal storm skirt gives added protection.

An advanced design elastic storm skirt is built into the Early Winters Parka. Just snap it together when those biting winds whip up. It stops drafts from reaching your upper body. When skiing, it will keep powder snow from drifting up inside.

Your storm skirt can also be used with the parka unzipped to keep it from billowing out behind you.

Velcro' cuffs adjust to fit your wrists to keep the wind from coming up your arms.



• Big, functional pockets.

The Early Winters' Parka has two 7"X10" cargo pockets perfect for storing mittens, snacks, sun glasses and maps. The pockets have built-in bellows which expand to hold plenty. The top of the pocket folds over on itself to completely seal out the rain. Velcro holds down the flap. Behind the cargo pockets are generous hand-warmer pockets.

The Anorak features a large 9"X13" kangaroo pocket at chest height. This pocket is perfect for gloves, mittens, a map, or even your lunch. The top of the pocket is protected by a 2" storm flap and seals with a strong silicone treated zipper. The Anorak pocket is designed so that nothing can be accidentally lost from it. Additionally, it is located so that it is freely accessible even when you are mountain climbing and roped up around your waist.

Seal out the rain completely with the double weather flaps and snaps. Cordura Lace pulls make zippers easy to use . . . even wearing mitts.

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- Made well . . . just as you'd expect from Early Winters.

We make these garments ourselves and take pride in our work. Don't expect to find any loose threads or short cuts here.

Our rain wear is made to work and last. Every stressed seam is double stitched and reinforced. Snaps, grommets, zippers and seams all match exactly for that fine, tailored look.

- Choose a color to suite your needs.

These garments are made of our Gore-Tex' garment laminate for high strength and light weight. The outside is a 1.9 oz. nylon taffeta laminated over a Gore Tex membrane with a comfortable knit backing.

The Early Winters Parka and Anorak are both available in good looking two tone laminates. Choose either Royal Blue outside with a Navy Blue lining, Kelley Green with a Green lining, or Gold with Orange inside. The Gold and Orange Parka and Anoraks are designed for high visibility in foul weather. They are particularly suited for mountaineering, sailing, and cycling . . . activities where visibility & safety go together.

What does it all weigh?

You might think that rain wear with these many features would weigh a lot. But then again . . . when you remember who makes it . . . you might guess otherwise.

And you'd be right.

The Early Winters Parka weighs 17 oz. The Anorak, only 15 oz!

Both fit easily into a compact $3^1/_2$"X9" stuff sack which comes with each garment.

Your satisfaction guaranteed!

Order your Early Winters Parka or Anorak today. Examine it at leisure in your home. Wear it to work and around town. Then take it on your next outdoor trip. If you aren't completely satisfied that it is the finest piece of weather protection you've ever owned, just return it postpaid and insured within 30 days for a refund or exchange, as you wish.

Carry maps, snacks, & extra clothing in the large Parka pockets.
Seal out wind and cold with the Velcro wrist tabs.
Snap the Parka storm skirt around your waist to stop blowing wind and snow from reaching you.

Sizes: Cut full enough to wear over other clothing. When in doubt, order smaller size.

Sizes	XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL
Women	6	8-10	10-12	12 14	1 4-1 6	16-18
Men		30-32	34-36	38-40	42-44	46-48

Colors: Blue/Navy ; Green; Gold /Orange

Early Winters Parka
No. 1211 ..... $79.95 ppd

Early Winters Anorak
No. 1221 ..... $62.95 ppd

Warm your head with a *I Scandanavian accent ... the Danish Fisherman's Cap.

The design of this classic wool cap originated in the fishing villages along the scenic coast of Denmark. For centuries, the Danes have put to sea for the cod and herring which teem in the icy waters of the North Sea. To help take the nip out of their often chilly livelyhood, Danish fishermen have worn distinctive caps like these for many generations.

Natural wools for warmth & good looks . . . nylon for added durability.

Our Danish Fisherman's Cap is crafted from a blend of beige and gray wools. No dyes are used to color the yarn. The result is a cap of rich, natural color and timeless good looks.

To the wool, we've added a small amount of nylon. This practical blend of 85% natural wool and 15% nylon gives your Danish Fisherman's Cap the warmth of wool with the added wearability of nylon.

A great traveler.

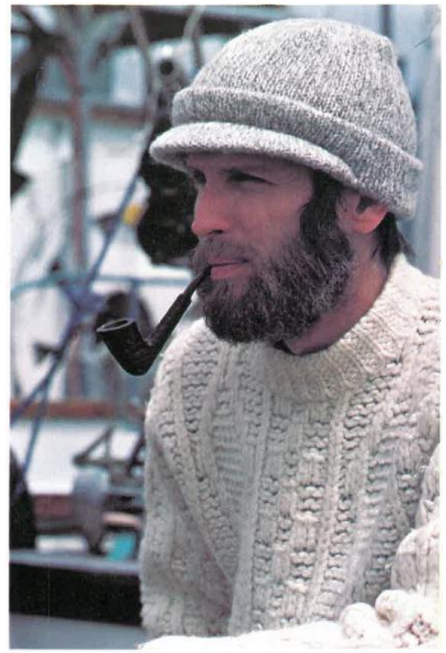
The Danish Fisherman's Cap features a crush-proof visor with a special Holland cut to shade your eyes against glare. The bill also protects your face from rain.

When the north wind blows, roll down the storm flap. The double thickness of knitted wool will keep your ears and the back of your neck warm.

You'll find your Danish Fisherman's Cap perfect for all outdoor activities. It can be rolled or stuffed into a small space for easy packing . . . yet never wrinkles.

The Danish Fisherman's Cap can be washed by hand or machine using ordinary detergent in cool water. Hang or dry it flat at ordinary room temperature.

As the Old Scandanavian song goes, to everyone a "warm head, warm heart, and warm bed." The Danish Fisherman's Cap is the perfect solution to the first part of this quest.



The Early Winters' Danish Fisherman's Cap. Classic good looks in a wool cap for all your outdoor activities.

Weight: 3 oz.
Rich in lanolin to shed water.
One size fits all heads.

Danish Fisherman's Cap
No. 1002 ..... $4.95
Save $1 ..... 2 caps for $8.90

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In this Early Winters' catalog you'll find the most complete selection of outdoor gear made from the new Gore-Tex laminated fabrics to be found anywhere. To call Gore-Tex®"amazing," "remarkable," or even "revolutionary" may well go down as understatement when a history of outdoor tents, down clothing, and rain apparel is written.

Maxwell's Demon puts on his hiking shoes.

In the mid-19th Century, British physicist James C. Maxwell formulated a hypothesis to explain how molecules might be separated, through a hole in a partition according to their speed. Maxwell's conjecture was that a small, indeterminant agent might selectively pass or hold back the individual molecules in the manner of a gate keeper or traffic cop. The gate keeper would let fast **OA.:lig .-^"Wiff** molecules through the **1. ¹0· wg • ⁴C4*** gate and would wave away slow ones.

This gate keeper became known affectionately as Maxwell's Demon. Though Maxwell's hypothesis violates the second law of thermodynamics, the Demon was destined to fame and immortality. It is called upon time and again to explain a host of paradoxes.

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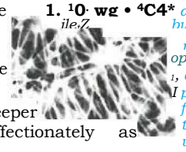
In the winter of 1975 it seemed as though we had a paradox on our hands. We had just begun working with some Gore-Tex samples. It was claimed that this fabric was both waterproof and breathable. How could this be?



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We made some prototype Gore-Tex tents and set about testing them. The tent was to become the Light Dimension. We gave it a hell of a work out.

The single layer, aerodynamic skin proved totally waterproof . . . yet it allowed water vapor to pass out as easily as if it weren't waterproof at all!

We were impressed—amazed, in fact.

It almost seemed as if we might have Maxwell's Demon working for us.

The word that needs inventing.

What we learned from the Light Dimension was this: the search is over. A century

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Thick, soft, light layers of rare Marmot goose down for total sleeping comfort. Note double draft tubes.

Marmot Gore-Tex Sleeping Bags

Made from a rare grade of down that's almost impossible to get(

Here are bags so warm and light that they've rapidly become a favored choice of serious mountaineers.

Yet, they're so comfortable and inviting that you'll sleep in them every chance you get. Indeed, you may sometimes be tempted to snuggle up in your Marmot . . . rather than sleep in your own bed!

Creme de la creme.

Chances are you've never experienced a sleeping bag in the class of a Marmot. Bags such as these will never be found in sporting goods stores or regular catalogs.

A Marmot sleeping bag cannot be mass produced. Every piece of fabric must be hand hot-cut one at a time in order to seal the edges against ravelling. This time consuming procedure means you'll get many years of use from your Marmot bag.

After hot cutting, your bag is carefully sewn and fitted together by a single skilled sewer who signs his or her name to the bag when it has been certified to Marmot standards.

And . . . most importantly . . . every Marmot bag is filled with white Polish goose down with a *minimum* lofting power of 650 cubic inches per ounce. Down of this quality is very rare and costly. No large manufacturer could obtain enough to meet their own needs . . . even if they were willing to pay the price.

Your eyes will deceive you.

Look at a Marmot bag and try to guess its total weight. Nearly everyone picks a weight several *pounds* heavier than the actual weight.

Marmot bags have tremendous loft (warmth) with very little weight.

The total weight of the Gopher is 3¹4 lbs., the Penguin, 3³/₄, and the Pika, only 4¹/₂ lbs. They loft 8, 9, & 10¹/₂ inches respectively. Ordinary "high quality" bags with the same loft would weigh from 4¹/₂ to over 6 or 7 pounds each!

Rare Marmot down and sophisticated design have created these durable bags for those who need maximum warmth with the least possible weight . . . backpackers, mountaineers, ski tourists, search & rescue personnel, cyclists, kayakers, and travelers.

You get more than a sleeping bag when you get a Marmot.

We'd be the last to call these sleeping bags cheap..But over the years we've found that inadequate gear is a poor investment.

Fine equipment costs more in the beginning, but its superior, satisfying service and longer life more than makes up the difference. You just can't buy a bag so warm, light, and long lasting as a Marmot.

Dave Huntley of Marmot says it best . . . "We take pride in doing a job without compromise. Our bags 'and parkas are the finest available and the prices only reflect the cost of creating such excellence."

"If you think this is a rave, it is. It's really fun to talk about something so ultimately good. Take a look at a Marmot sleeping bag and you see damn near perfection . . . the best packaged down I've ever stuffed."
WILDERNESS CAMPING, April-May 1977

❑ Gopher Sleeping Bag

This is a great spring, summer, & fall bag which—with some additional clothing—will serve you on many winter trips. The superiority of Marmot down is evident here . . . the Gopher weighs at least 12 oz.—and usually more than a full pound—less than other quality bags with the same loft (warmth).

Features include: 8" of loft, 3 lbs. 3 oz. total weight, 1.75 lbs. of Polish goose down fill, 70" YKK self-repairing coil zipper (silicone saturated in the Gore-Tex® version), two full-length draft tubes behind the zipper, 10" of differential cut, 6" spaced slant wall baffling with side blocks to insure uniform insulation without cold spots.

CI Penguin Sleeping Bag

The Penguin is warmer than the Gopher. Its 9" of loft will keep you toasty on any 3-season adventure. Come winter, don your Long Johns and maybe a Marmot Vest. You'll find the Penguin significantly lighter than other bags of the same warmth . . . and it packs smaller for easier carrying.

The Penguin features: 9" of loft, 3 lbs. 14 oz. total weight, 2.25 lbs. of Polish goose down fill, 70" YKK coil zipper (silicone saturated in the Gore-Tex version), two full-length reinforced draft tubes, 6" spaced slant wall baffling with side blocks to prevent down shifting.

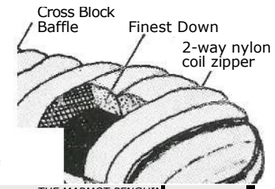
❑ Pika Sleeping Bag

This is the bag used so successfully by Arctic research teams, expedition mountaineers and winter campers. Its 4" baffle spacing and 2.75 lbs. of super down gives you 10¹/₂" of loft . . . and a mere 4¹/₂ lbs. total weight!

The Pika has an integral down-filled collar to seal off drafts at your neck and retain body heat. The bag comes complete with a reinforced 2.3 oz. taffeta foot section which makes it possible to keep your boots and water bottles in your bag at night to prevent them from freezing.

Other features include: 16" of differential cut for 10¹/₂" of loft, 70" YKK coil zipper (silicone treated in the Gore-Tex version to repel water and prevent freezing), two full-length draft tubes behind the zipper.

Fully Baffled Foot
All Fabric Hot Cut
Top Weighted Fill



THE MARMOT PENGUIN

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An outstanding sleeping with one thought in in design, materials & mind—total excellence construction!

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Bag	Loft	•	Baffle Spacing	Differential Cut	Elbow* Girth	Foot' Girth	Shoulder* Girth	Fits up to	Fill Weight	Total Weight
Gopher	8"	Spring/ Summer, Fall	6"	10"	59"	36"	57"	5'10" 6' 4"	1 lb. 12 oz.	3 lbs, 4 oz. 3 lbs. 7 oz.
Penguin	9"	Spring/ Summer/ Fall	6"	13"	59"	36"	57"	5' 10" 6' 4"	2 lbs. 4 oz. 2 lbs. 6 oz.	3 lbs, 12 oz. 4 lbs. 1 oz.
Pika	10½"	Fall/ Winter/ Spring/	4"	16"	59"	36"	57"	5' 10" 6' 2" 6' 6"	2 lbs. 12 oz, 2 lbs. 15 oz. 3 lbs. 2 oz.	4 lbs. 8 oz. 4 lbs. 12 oz. 5 lbs.

Zip Together

All Marmot bags will zip together provided that one is a left zip and one a right zip. If you want two Marmot bags which will zip together, order one with a left zip and one with a right.

If you are getting a bag for yourself, we recommend that you specify a left zip. Generally a right-handed person finds a left side zipper easier to use and vice versa. If you do not specify either a left or right zip bag, we will send you the left.

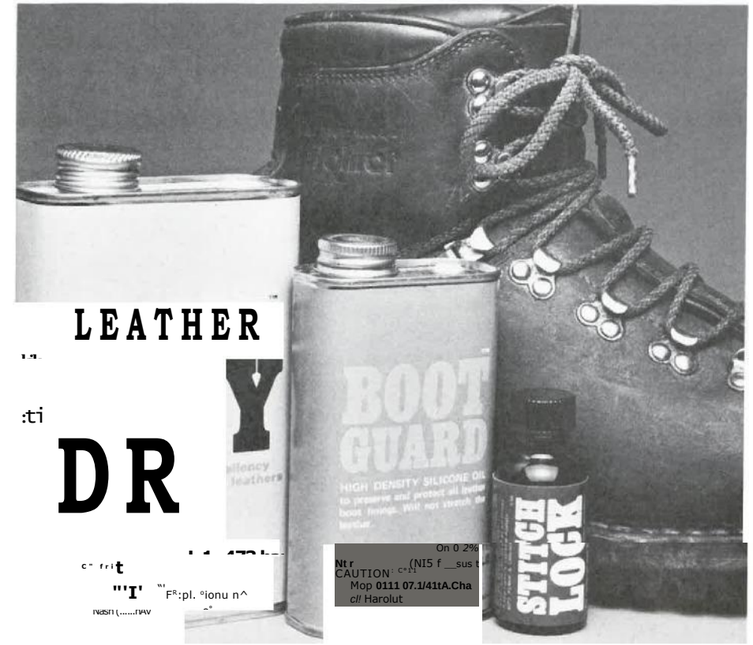
Gopher Gore Tex Sleeping Bag
Color: Navy Blue
No. 3054, reg $288.00 ppd
No. 3054, long ..... $300.00 ppd

Penguin Gore-Tex Sleeping Bag
Color: Navy Blue
No. 3056, reg..... $358.00 ppd
No. 3056, long ..... $373.00 ppd

Pike Gore-Tex Sleeping Bag
Color: Navy Blue
No. 3057, reg..... $455.00 ppd
No. 3057, long ..... $467.00 ppd
No. 3057, x-long ..... $478.00 ppd

Your No Risk Guarantee of Total Satisfaction:

Order your new Marmot sleeping bag today. When it arrives fluff it up and slip into its luxurious warmth. Feel how light it really is and see how small it packs in its sturdy stuff sack. Experience the amazing warm softness of rare & costly Marmot goose down. If for any reason you aren't completely satisfied . . . if you don't believe that your Marmot bag is the finest sleeping bag you've ever owned, just return it to us within 30 days postpaid and insured for a full refund or exchange, as you wish.



Put this high performance team to work for your feet!

3 remarkable new products to protect your boots . . . make life on your feet more comfortable!

From the mind of a backpacking engineer comes a whole new way of caring for your boots—and your feet! Good boots are the foundation of for enjoying so many outdoor activities. Don't neglect them. Why en-

It's the Early Winters' Boot Care System . . . three unique new for and professional outdoors people maintain your costly boot investments made us real believers. When dure wet feet, unnecessary blisters, and worn out boots when this new mulations guaranteed to make your system of boot treatment can stop boots perform better while lasting the trouble? longer than ever before possible. Two years of testing by our staff made us real believers. When ment. Order yours today and make treated with Leather Dry, Boot Guard, and Stitch Lock, your boots get packed with long-lasting protection against:

1. Water
2. Abrasion
3. Rot
4. Fungus
5. Dry out & cracking

. . . villains that rob your boots of life and wreak misery to your feet.

Here's what you get:

Leather Dry

No. 0400 ..... $2.95

Tired of wax or grease "waterproofers" that wear out after a day or two's use? One application of Leather Dry lasts up to a year! Its special hydrophobic, silicone polymers soak deep into the leather. It permanently attaches itself to each individual leather fiber to repel water. At the same time, the microscopic spaces between the fibers are left open so the leather actually breathes to let out your foot perspiration!

Leather Dry improves low temperature boot flexibility and helps prevent annoying freezing. It preserves leather without softening or discoloring it. The 16 oz. can is plenty for a pair of boots. Really great stuff!

For best results, use on new or previously unwaterproofed boots.

Boot Guard

No. 0401 ..... **$2.95**

Here's a high density silicone oil to keep the inside of all boots soft and supple without stretching the leather.

Rub in a little every 2nd or 3rd time you use your boots to preserve the leather and reduce friction to help prevent blisters!

A built-in fungicide prevents mildew and interior rot — the single most common reason why boots fall apart. Pays for itself over and over again. Full 8 oz. can lasts a long time.

Stitch Lock

No. 0402 ..... $2.59

Paint Stitch Lock on your boot welt and over the exposed thread seams, inside and out. It soaks into the threads to make them incredibly tough. Even if severe abrasion wears away the outer surface of a thread, the Stitch Lock will keep the seam from coming apart.

Stitch Lock is pre-catalyzed and won't yellow. IL undergoes a chemical conversion upon application. There's nothing else quite like it.

Complete Boot Care System

One each of Leather Dry, Boot Guard, and Stitch Lock — everything you need to treat a pair of boots. Order yours today and start giving your boots and feet the kind of care they really deserve!

No. 0403 ..... **$7.95**

Make it, Fix it, Change it .

Early Winters' Fabrics

Our fabric supplies vary depending upon availability and demand. All fabrics, particularly Gore-Tex®, are offered "as available." If we are out of stock or if all of a fabric has been committed to our production schedules, we will cancel your order if there is no substitute or if replacement stock is not forthcoming. For a swatch of a particular fabric, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request.

Gore-TeeTent Laminate

Excellent for tents & sleeping bag covers. 1.5 oz. nylon ripstop/Gore-Tex/.75 oz. non-directional polyester. 44" wide. Two colors: Sierra Gold; Meadow Green.
No. 7101 ..... $8.50/yd.

Gore-Tex®Garment Laminate

For rain clothing, bag covers and tents. 1,9 oz. nylon taffeta/Gore-Tex/1.5 oz. tricot knit backing. 43" wide. Royal Blue/ Navy; Gold/Orange; or Kelley Green.
No. 7102 ..... $8.50/yd.

Tent Floor Fabric

Good for tent floors, tarps, ponchos, and standard rain gear. 1.9 oz. polymer coated nylon ripstop (3.2 oz/sq. yd. total). 60" wide. Silver Grey.
No. 7112 ..... $2.95 /yd

Outer Tent Fabric

1.7 oz. ripstop nylon with a .6 oz. polymer coating (2.3 oz/yd) for outer tent walls, ponchos, rain wear, and light tent flys. 45" wide. Light Blue.
No. 7103 ..... $2.55/yd.

Inner Tent Fabric

1.5 oz. uncoated nylon ripstop for breathable, standard tent walls. Water repellant finish. Acapulco Gold.
No. 7113 ..... $2.00/yd.

"No-See-Um" Mosquito Netting

The finest netting available anywhere to stop biting insects. A knit construction. 41%" wide, Green.
No. 7111 ..... $1.00 /yd.

Zippers

All of our zippers are Talon®Ladder Coils. The #61 is for clothing & tent doors, the #42 is a light duty zipper for pockets, mosquito netting and so forth.

We treat all of our zippers in a specially formulated silicone bath which stops the zipper tape from absorbing water and therefore prevents zipper freeze up.

#61 Chain (cut to your length). Gray.
No. 7 302 ..... $1.25/yd.

Slider for #61 Chain zipper. Non-locking, double pull, long slider.
No. 7402 ..... $ .20 ea.

#61 27%" Parka type zipper. Black with double pull, long slider.
No. 7202 ..... $1.50 ea.

#61 31$^1/_2$" Parka type zipper. Black with two separating sliders.
No. 7203 ..... $1.50 ea.

*61 Anorak zipper. 10" long. Black with a single pull, locking slider.
No. 7201 ..... $ .60 ea.

#42 Chain (cut to your length). Black.
No. 7 301 $ 95/yd.

Long length, double pull, non-locking slider for the #42 chain zipper.
No. 7403 ..... $ .20 ea.

Short, single pull, non-locking slider for #42 chain zipper.
No. 7401 .....$ .15 ea.

Velcro®

An excellent closure for cuffs, pockets & for spot closure needs. You'll need both the hook & the loop tapes. 1" wide, black.
No. 7501, Velcro Hooks . . . $1.50/yd.
No. 7502, Velcro Loops . . .$1.50/yd.

Nylon Mini Toggles

A spring and plastic fastener/closure for cord and lacing. Blue.
No. 1301 ..... $ .45 ea.

Seam Sealer

All of your gear which will be used in the rain must be sealed to offer maximum weather protection. An ample amount of our Rain Coat seam sealant is supplied with every tent and Gore-Tex item which we sell. Sealing does not take long, and we supply you with complete instructions.

Early Winters Rain Coat is specially blended by is for sealing Gore-Tex equipment as well as for use on regular coated nylon.

Rain Coat Seam Sealer
No. 8001, 3 oz. w/brush . . $2.45 ea.
No. 8002, 8 oz. w/brush . . $3.85 ea.

Tent Poles

These are sets of the same poles used so successfully in our tents. Hand laid, tubular fiberglass construction. Machined aircraft alloy couplings. Knurled slide coupling at the center. Tensioned shock cord inside for near instantaneous assembly.

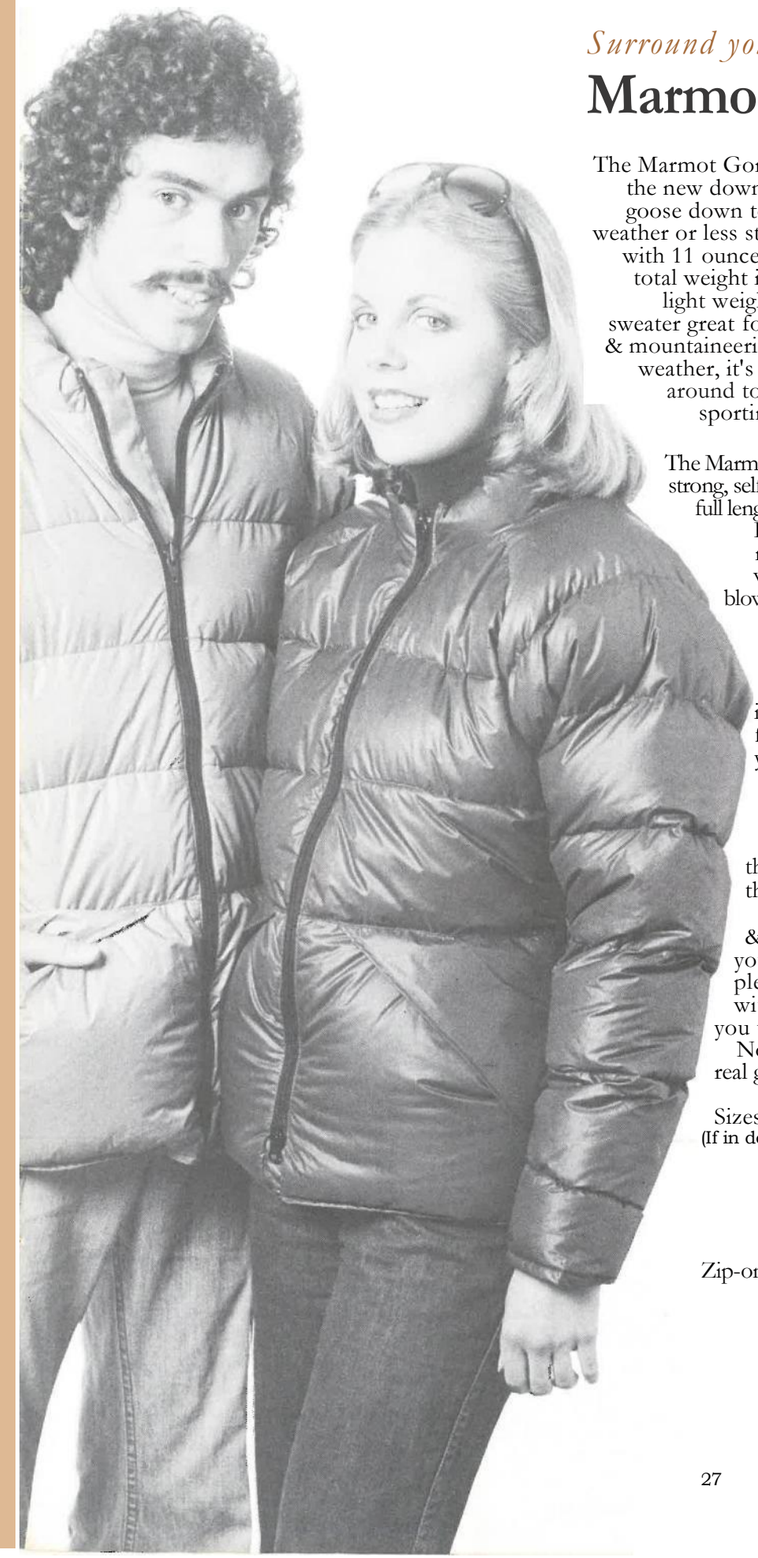
Light Diawnsion^cTent Poles (set of 2)
No. 0203 ..... $24.50/set ppd.7*

Omnipotent®Tent Poles (set of 4)
No. 0202 ..... $50.00/set **ppd.**

Tent Stakes

9" high impact plastic stake to take tremendous abuse, Good stake for most soils.
No. 5009 ..... $ .29 ea.

12" plastic stare for hard, spring *snow* & looser soils. Strong enough to drive through a 2X4! 1.3 oz. each.
No. 5012 ..... $ .45 ea.



Surround yourself in weightless warmth!

Marmot Gore Tex Sweater

The Marmot Gore-Tex Down Sweater is the warmer cousin of the new down shirt. It's filled with over 30% more Marmot goose down to give you a much warmer garment for colder weather or less strenuous wear. It's as warm as ordinary parkas with 11 ounces of goose down fill. Yet its total weight is only 1$^1/_4$ pounds for true light weight comfort. You'll find your sweater great for cold weather backpacking & mountaineering. For skiing in biting cold weather, it's just the thing. At home and around town you'll want to wear it to sporting events and on those cold morning walks.

Gore-Tex down hood

The Marmot Gore-Tex Sweater features a strong, self-repairing zipper backed with a full length draft tube to keep you snug. Elastic in the hem in back and a nylon/elastic storm collar at the waist keeps drafts & snow from blowing up your arms. The sweater has down insulated pockets to warm your hands and a Velcro-sealed stash pocket inside for sunglasses, mittens or even your check book.

Every fabric piece in your Marmot Sweater is individually hand hot cut to prevent fabric fraying and to insure that you get the many years of service to which you are entitled.

Fully guaranteed.

We love our Marmot Gore-Tex Sweaters & think you will too. After all, you can even wear them in the rain!

Order a Marmot Gore-Tex Down Sweater & try on its superior goose down warmth for yourself. If for any reason you're not completely satisfied, return it postpaid & insured within 30 days for an exchange or refund, as you wish.

Nothing yet can beat the soft, natural warmth of real goose down.

Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL
(If in doubt, order the larger size.)

Colors: Royal Blue; Forest Green

Marmot Gore Tex Down Sweater
No. 1153 ..... $110.00 ppd

Zip-on Gore Tex Down Hood
No. 1109 ..... $19.00 ppd

Ultralight warmth in dry Gore-Tex® comfort . .

The Marmot Shirt

Leave it to Marmot to come up with one of the most practical pieces of outdoor clothing ever . . . a truly sophisticated down shirt. This down shirt will give you the warmth of ordinary down sweaters . . . with a total weight of only 15 ounces!

This is definitely the garment for cross country ski trips as well as alpine skiing. It is designed to give you full, unrestricted arm and body action for all of your cold weather activities.

If you are a backpacker or climber concerned with weight and bulk, the Marmot Down Shirt may be exactly what you've been looking for. You can wear it by itself or with sweaters for very cold weather. Since it is filled with 6 ozs. of super lofting Marmot down, it gives you lighter weight and a smaller packed size than any other available garment of the same warmth.

Stash sunglasses, car keys and snacks in the large interior pocket in both the Marmot Shirt & Sweater.

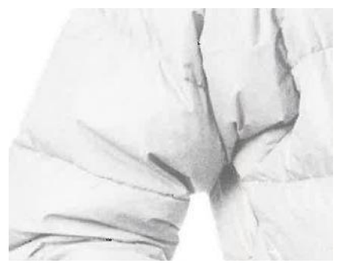
More features than any other down shirt.

Many down shirts are little more than fancy underwear.

Not so with this Marmot Shirt. Your Marmot Down Shirt closes with a strong YKK coil zipper backed with a full length down-filled draft tube to stop all wind from reaching you. The waist seals with a nylon/elastic storm skirt, and the cuffs are hidden 100% nylon stretch knit. A down-filled collar comforts your neck. As with all Marmot gear, every piece of fabric is individually hot cut to assure you of many years of good use.

Your Marmot Shirt comes complete with two insulated pockets to warm your hands and a roomy, Velcro sealed stash pocket inside for small items and valuables.

When you snap the elastic & nylon Storm Skirt around your waist, you'll seal out wind & blowing snow.



Try it yourself.

The Marmot Down Shirt is new this season. We're convinced that it's the perfect garment for active cold weather use.

Check it out for yourself. If you're not convinced that it's the perfect garment for your active winter wear, just return it postpaid and insured within 30 days for a full refund or exchange. Should any flaw appear due to defective materials or workmanship, we'll see that it's repaired or replaced, to your satisfaction, at no cost to you.

Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL Colors: Royal Blue Forest Green

Marmot Gore Tex Down Shirt
No. 1152 ..... $95.00 ppd

Zip-on Gore Tex Down Hood
No. 1109 ..... $19.00 ppd

The big, easy-to-use nylon zippers can be operated while wearing gloves or mittens. The down filled draft tube behind the zipper stops the wind.

How to Order for Fast Service

We want you to receive your purchases as soon as possible. Orders are usually filled within 24 hours of receipt. To speed delivery, please type or print in dark ink all necessary information on the order form. Use one of the self mailers bound into the catalog. If your address is differ. ent from that on the mailing label on the back of the catalog, note your change of address at the top of the order form and fill in the correct information.

Please be legible. If you have any inquiries or correspondence, use a separate sheet of paper.

Phone Orders

(206) 622-5203

We suggest that you fill out your order form before you call to use as a reference.

The easiest way to make phone payment is to use your Visa (Bank-Americard) or Master Charge card. Please have the bank card information ready before you place your call.

You may also place your order by phone and we will hold it until we receive your payment by mail or wire.

After our normal telephone business hours (8 a.m.-6 p.m. Pacific time) your order will be recorded and filled the next morning.

Payment

We accept your personal check, certified clie.cks, money orders, Master Charge, EiidE your Visa (formerly BankAmericard).

To use your Master Charge or Visa card, copy the card number and expiration date onto the order form. Master Charge orders also need the 4-digit Interbank number which appears above your name. Be sure to sign your name to the order form.

Since it takes on the average 2 weeks for a personal check to clear your bank, the other forms of remittance will result in the faster service. We do not accept C.O.D. orders.

Shipping

We pay the postage on all orders over $15.00 shipped within the United States. Add $1.75 postage and handling on orders of less than $15.00.

Unless you specify otherwise, we will ship via United Parcel Service. If possible, give a street address on your shipping label.

For UPS Blue Label service (air to MinnerVIThrCoffri and all states east of the Mississippi only) or regular air mail, add $2.50 per order.

(The Gore-Tex Story, cont. from pg. 4)

of trials and tests, of starts and failures has finally led to the development of a single material which is windproof, waterproof, and yet . . . impossible as it may seem . . . a material which readily allows water vapor, like that given off by a body or when you breathe, to pass easily through.

Our Gore-Tex- gear is both waterproof and "breatheable". There is no single word to describe both properties existing simultaneously in a fabric. This is because they never have.

The word needs to be invented . . . Gore-Tex already has.

The making of a precedent, 1976.

The Light Dimension was introduced in May of 1976. It was an instant hit . . . the industry's success story of the year. Even manufacturers with a vested interest in yesterday's gear had to sit up and take notice. Something big was in the air.

As the tents began to appear in the field, and as we set about testing Gore-Tex in rain gear, people began to ask more and more, "Just how does this stuff work? How can it be waterproof and still let water vapor out . . . how can it be 'breathe-able'; yet be far more windproof than a windbreaker?"

The image of Maxwell's Demon would come to mind. There he was, working madly inside of the fabric, a microscopic little fellow making sure that no rain got in and waving the water vapor out.

Fortunately for us, the answer was a lot simpler.

The Garden Peas analogy.

Gore-Tex®is a membrane made from polytetrafluoroethVene (PTFE), the resin from which Teflon is made. It is the most inert substance known. Sunlight can't hurt it. Acid won't touch it. Electricity won't flow through it. And it's completely non-allergenic—its medical uses extend from heart-lung machines to artificial veins.

The Gore-Tex membrane by itself is too thin and flexible to make rugged, good looking outdoor equipment . . . so other fabrics are laminated to it. We choose the fabrics according to the use to which they vv'ill be put. We've found our triple layer "sandwich" of ripstop nylon/Gore-Tex/polyester to be best in tents; nylon/Gore-Tex/knit for rain gear; and nylon/Gore-Tex in down bags and clothing where there won't be any abrasion from the down side. The fabrics give the laminates their strength, good looks and long wear. The Gore-Tex film, hidden from view, makes them waterproof, yet vapor porous.

To the naked eye, the Gore-Tex membrane itself appears white and impermeable. But under a high powered microscope you'd see the holes. Millions upon millions of them. Over 9 billion holes in every square inch.

Just as an ordinary kitchen sieve easily separates a pot of green peas from their cooking water, so too, but on a molecular scale, a Gore-Tex membrane distinguishes

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Visit Our Store

300 Queen Anne Avenue N.
Call: 284-4979

Our store, the only one in the world, is located at our previous factory location three blocks west of the Space Needle in Seattle. It's here that we can meet you personally and exchange information about things to do and places to go. Our competent sales staff is ready to explain any item we offer and will help you find exactly what you need . . . even if it means recommending another source. They are knowledgeable in most all aspects of self-powered outdoor pursuits and will be pleased to help you with your problems & questions. They also know when to leave you alone when you just want to look around.

We cordially invite you to stop by for a visit anytime you are in Seattle. You will usually be treated to a surprise or two, since our new products often appear in the store before the next edition of the catalog comes out.

The Early Winters Store is located at the corner of Queen Anne Avenue and Thomas Street (300 Queen Anne Ave. N.) just west of the Seattle Center. You will find us open from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Monday thru Friday; Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

See you there!

Give Our Gift Certificate

For those special occasions, or anytime for someone special, the Early Winters' Gift Certificate is the key to some of the most unique outdoor equipment in the world.

Just send us the name, address and zip code of the person to whom you wish to give the certificate. Or if you wish, we will leave it blank for you to fill in yourself. Let us know if you wish us to mail the Gift Certificate directly to the recipient in your name, or if you wish it sent to you so that you can present it in person.

An Early Winters Gift Certificate is available in any amount from $5.00 up. The latest edition of our catalog is included with each certificate. Your gift will be not only the thoughtfulness of the Early Winters' Certificate, but also the ease of home shopping and the fun of choosing something special.

Foreign Orders

We gladly ship to foreign countries. Specify how you want your order shipped (surface, air mail, air freight) and send sufficient funds to cover the postage. We will refund any extra postage. Air mail and air freight to Australia and Europe averages between US$4.50 and US$5.00 per pound with a $20.00 minimum.

Duties vary greatly from country to country (but are usually high). Check with your country's custom bureau to determine the approximate duty you will be charged when your order arrives.

The Klondike Comfort Sock

Deep, thick socks to sink your feet into . . .

Possibly the most comfortable socks you'll ever

Slip into a pair of our new Klondike Comfort Socks and you'll feel why our sock tester says, "It's like stepping out of bed onto a sheep skin rug . . . a rich, yielding cushion surrounding your feet!"

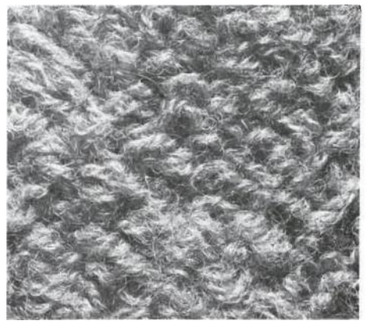
20,000 shock absorbers to cushion the load.

Klondike Comfort Socks are knitted by a special process that puts nearly 10,000 springy loops of resilient wool inside every sock.

Each of these loops acts as a tiny shock absorber to soak up the pressure of your steps. Mile after mile, these little shock absorbers cushion your feet and help prevent foot fatigue.

At the same time, this myriad of wool "fingers" absorbs perspiration and created innumerable air pockets to insulate your feet from heat and cold.

After a full day of hiking, you'll really appreciate the remarkable comfort and foot-hugging S-T-R-E-T-C-H of these unusual socks.



Thousands upon thousands of springy loops cushion your every step!

After the Gold Rush.

More than 80 years have now passed since that summer morning in 1896 when gold was discovered on Bonanza Creek in the Klondike. The feverish and picturesque hordes of fortune seekers have come and gone. But the necessity of first-rate footwear—so often learned by those intrepid men—remains with us still.

Our special Klondike Comfort Socks commemorate the colorful history of the region. They are made to the highest standards to get you more easily into the remote regions of the Klondike . . . or anywhere a foot can tread.

Color: Grey-90% wool, 10% nylon. Weight: 5 oz./pair.
Size: Medium for shoe size 7-9. Large for adult sizes $9^1/_2$-$12^1/$x.

Klondike Comfort Socks
No. 0303 ..... $5.95
Save $1.35' 3 *pairs* $16.....50 ppd

Klondike Comfort Socks—
As practical as they are luxurious.

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From moon walks to Earth wanderings.

Insoles developed for use in space . . . now available for your down-to-earth pleasure.

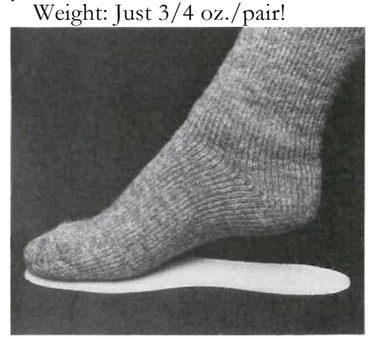
When Neil Armstrong set foot to the surface of the moon, his feet were ventilated in a cushion of special material, ThermaFlex K . . . now used for the insoles which Frank Shorter wears when he runs a marathon.

New ThermaFlex K insoles are the best ever made. Fashioned exclusively from a woven 3-dimensional open mesh material, they won't absorb moisture, yet allow air to circulate under your feet to keep them dry, cushioned, and insulated.

Slip a pair into your shoes or boots. You'll immediately feel how this shock absorbing, non-compressible material softens your step; adds spring to your walk.

Try them in your boots, and you'll want a pair for your tennis shoes, your street shoes . . . .

Weight: Just 3/4 oz./pair!



Use jogging, hiking, skiing, around town . .

Women's shoe sizes 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9
No. 0304 .....$2.95/pair

Men's sizes 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, & 12
No. 0305 .....$2.95/pair

Fit yourself into a pocket of soft warmth!

The Marmot Gore-Tex Vest

Looking for your first piece of down gear?

If we had to recommend a single garment for your first down product, it would probably be this Marmot Vest.

The jacket with invisible sleeves.

A sophisticated natural thermostat controls your body's temperature. As you chill, your body cuts back the flow of blood to your arms and legs in order to maintain strict control of your vital functions. This is why frostbite affects the fingers and toes first. Even heavy mittens and insulated boots won't keep you warm if your circulation becomes restricted due to general heat loss.

A Marmot Vest retains heat in your torso. With your vital areas well taken care of, your body can afford to keep your hands and feet warm. This is why we sometimes call the Marmot Vest the "jacket with invisible sleeves."

Versatility that won't stop.

The Marmot Vest adapts itself to most every outdoor activity. Wear it over a wool shirt or sweater for snowshoeing and ski touring. Its sleeveless cut gives you unrestricted arm movement. Add a wind shell or our new Gore-Tex® rain wear when it starts to storm.

Combine the Marmot Vest with a Marmot Sweater for ice fishing and cold weather camping. You'll feel good in Fairbanks in this combination.

Wear your Marmot Vest to work in the winter, to sporting events, and around town. Be sure to stuff it in your pack for those spring and fall hikes . . . it will take the chill out of the morning. At night, wear it in your sleeping bag for extra, luxurious warmth.

No matter how you wear it, your Marmot Vest gives you real down warmth . . . and real light weight . . . at about half the price of a down sweater.

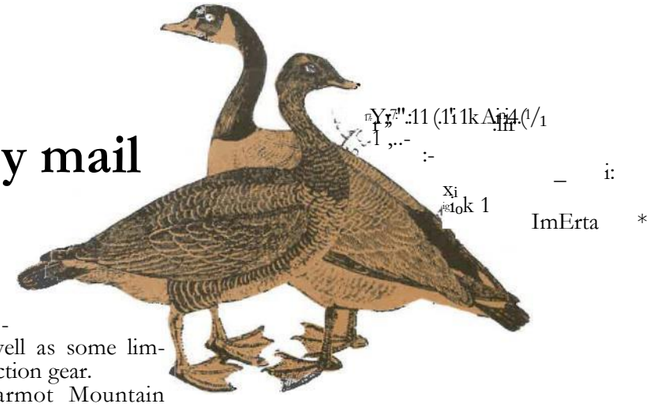
Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL Colors: Royal Blue
Forest Green

Marmot Gore Tex Down Vest
No 1151 ..... $69.95 ppd

The Gore-Tex down vest for year 'round use.
Unaffected by rain or wet snow!

Why you should buy your down clothing by mail from Early Winters

The fun of receiving packages is only a small part of the answer!



There are literally hundreds of companies making down insulated clothing in the world today. The quality of these garments ranges from ridiculous junk to beautiful, but non-functional, "designer" clothing.

How can you tell the difference between similar items when all say they're made of "ripstop nylon" & filled with "100% Prime Northern Goose Down"?

What assurance do you have that the down parka you buy today won't look like a chicken coop next summer?

It's what's inside that counts.

The ideal way to buy a down garment or bag would be to tear it apart. Then you would be able to see the materials and construction detailing used inside.

The quality (or lack of it) in down gear, probably more than any other type of outdoor equipment, is hidden from view.

From the outside it is almost impossible to know what sort of down is inside. Or whether the fabric has been hot cut to prevent fraying. Or if stress points have been reinforced for long wear.

The odds are that such construction methods have not been used . . . and that the down is of mediocre quality. High quality down and time consuming construction methods are costly to the manufacturer.

But the lack of them will ultimately be costly to you when your garment fails to give you the years of service which you expect.

This is what we've found.

During the past several years, we've examined and tested as many different down garments and sleeping bags as we could lay our hands upon. We checked out many, many name brand products as well as some limited production gear.

The Marmot Mountain Works gear featured in this catalog is the result of that search. This is down gear without compare!

No other down goods we've seen can match the functional good looks, high quality materials, care of construction, and amazing down quality of Marmot gear.

We honestly believe that the down items offered here may well be the finest available in the world today. We're so sure that you will be more than pleased with your Marmot vest, parka or bag that we make this guarantee . . .

Our guarantee.

Order your down garments today. When they arrive, check out the excellent workmanship, the warm, functional pockets, the rich detailing and the phenomenal loft for such light weight. Wear them to work, around town and on your next outdoor trip. If you are not completely satisfied in every way, just return them postage prepaid & insured within 30 days for an exchange or refund, as you wish.

A rare grade of down

Many, often obscure, claims are made concerning down & its quality.

To put things straight and simple, Marmot uses the finest available down. While other manufacturers brag of using down which lofts 550 cu. in./oz. (few can make even this claim), Marmot uses only rare, white Polish goose down with a *minimum* lofting power of 650 cubic inches.

To our knowledge, no other manufacturer uses such rare, costly, and high lofting (warm & light!) down.

A word about Marmot Gore-Tek down clothing

Imagine standing in the rain in a down sweater or sleeping in a dripping snow cave. This used to be an invitation to a wet and miserable time.

But not any more.

You can now use your Marmot Gore TeX' down gear without the fear of getting it wet and useless.

Until now the "best" wet weather alternative to down has been synthetic fiber insulators such as PolarGuard and Fiberfill II. Much misinformation has spread concerning these insulators. Don't be fooled by such nonsense. Synthetics are nowhere near as warm and light as high quality down. PolarGuard *does* get wet, and it *does* gain weight and bulk. Being in a wet synthetic bag isn't much more fun than being in a wet down bag.

Now you can have the best of all possible worlds. Your Marmot Gore-Tex bag (or regular hag with a Sleep Inn) will stay dry, lofty and comfortable even if you have to sleep in the rain! You can wear your Marmot Shirt or Sweater on those wet, slushy days of 30 degree snow and freezing rain.

Marmot Gore-Tex down gear lets you enjoy the unsurpassed benefits of light weight, compressibility, and tremendous warmth of quality goose down no matter what the weather.

New from Early Winters . . .

Socks so tough we guarantee 1000 miles of wear!

Unique in all the world.

These socks are about as close as you can come to a lifetime investment. They're made to snuggle your feet and will never lose their shape. They'll warm you in the winter . . . absorb perspiration in the summer . . . and cushion your footfalls step by step, year after year.

In fact, your Thousand Mile Socks will probably outlast several pairs of boots! They're actually that tough.

So unique that they're patented.

The secret to the durability of our Thousand Mile Socks is the special yarn from which each is knit. By a patented process, a thread spun of 9 parts mountain Merino wool and 2 parts nylon is wrapped loosely around an elastic Lycra® core. This makes a yarn as resilient as a coil spring. Each yarn in a Thousand Mile Sock can stretch up to 300% in length . . . yet it always snaps back to its normal length so that the sock will never lose its shape.

Mountain Merino sheep wool is the strongest, most durable wool available. When combined with nylon in this extraordinary yarn, it's understandable how a man who recently hiked from Alaska to Mexico wore out 3 pairs of boots . . . but not his Thousand Mile Socks!

Guaranteed to go the distance.

When you order your Thousand Mile Socks we make this guarantee to you. If, given normal care, your Early Winters' Thousand Mile Socks should wear out within 1 year of purchase or 1000 miles of walking, we'll send you another pair without charge.

Early Winters Thousand Mile Socks are machine washable and can be dried in a dryer at the low temperature setting.

Thousand Mile Socks—made to such high standards that we can guarantee they'll go at least 1 year or 1000 miles, which ever comes LAST!

So order your socks today. When they arrive, slip them on and start getting acquainted with the last boot socks you may ever have to buy!

Color: Natural.
Sizes: M for adult shoe sizes $5^1/_2$-7^1 .
L for adult shoe sizes 8-12.

Thousand Mile Socks
No. 0300 ..... $6.45
Save $1.35! ..... 3 pairs $18.00 ppd

A great way to treat your feet!

Luxurious liners in Qiana

Mile Sock can stretch up to 300%

Next time you pull on a pair of boots, don't resign yourself to the same old syndrome of sweaty, chaffed, or blistered feet.

Use these new liner socks for 30 days to see if they don't increase your walking comfort while significantly reducing foot problems!

As necessary as they are luxurious.

These 100% Qiana® socks are very light in weight. A pair weighs just a single ounce.

Stretch one over your foot and notice how smooth and wrinkle free it is. They greatly reduce foot friction as you walk.

Rub your hand across it and feel the slick, silky feel. Just imagine how much less abrasion, how many fewer hot spots you'll get when you wear these socks on your next outdoor trip!

If you're not totally pleased with the great comfort of your Qiana® liners, if you don't find they make walking more pleasurable than ever, just return them within 30 days for a full refund.

Size: S-shoe size 6-$7^1/_2$; M-8-$9^1/_2$; L-10-$11^1/_2$
No. 0302 ..... $2.95

Smooth as silk. Wicks water away from your feet.

The Light Dimension

Photo - Sharon Beals

Abandon your previous conceptions of lightweight shelter.

Imagine that you no longer have to lug around 8 pounds of deadweight tent-8 pounds of nylon that looks (after 20 minutes of pitching effort and a dozen stakes) not unlike the original pup tent.

Suppose, instead, that you're holding in your hand a compact 7 by 16 inch bag which weighs a scant $3^1/_2$ pounds. Suppose that there is a tent in this bag . . . a tent unlike any other in the world. An elegant, sleek tent. A tent that you set up in a single minute. A tent so rugged that you don't have to carry a ground cloth to protect its floor; so strong that it shrugs off beating rains and squalling winds.

Now stretch your imagination even farther. Imagine that this smooth, streamlined tent needs no rainfly. No rainfly to stake out . . . no flapping rainfly to rob you of your sleep . . . no rainfly to tear away in the middle of a storm leaving you cold, drenched and dangerously miserable.

Imagine, instead, that this tent is made of a totally new fabric. A scientific breakthrough. A 3 layer fabric that is totally waterproof, and yet . . . impossible as it seems . . . a fabric that allows water vapor—like that you make when you breathe—to pass freely out of the tent.

Imagine all of these things and you've begun to experience the Light Dimension.

The Future Arrives.

The Light Dimension is the most advanced superlight shelter in the world today.

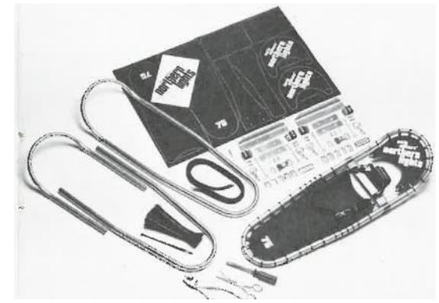
No other tent offers you such an unique combination of advantages.

Now Carry Half the Weight—& Enjoy Greater Strength!

Why burden yourself with unnecessary pounds? The Light Dimension weighs only half as much as ordinary "lightweight" tents.

Yet in side by side tests on Mt. Rainier, the Light Dimension proved stronger than a well-known 10 pound mountaineering tent.

Its smooth, aerodynamic shape and high quality tubular fiberglass poles allows the Light Di-



,4 money-saving Northern Lights kit puts you on a pair of the world's finest snowshoes in just 2 hours. Afl you need is a pair of pliers, scissors & a screwdriver. Everything else is included.
Note how the aircraft aluminum frame telescopes together with a full 8" overlap to give you a frame of great strength without welds or crimps.

• Strong & maintenance free for uninterrupted trips.

If you've ever broken the lacing on regular snowshoes, you may already know the sinking feeling that comes —first to your stomach and then to one leg—as you try to make do with one snowshoe.

Northern Lights feature custom-engineered high-strength nylon reinforced neoprene *(not* vinyl) decking. It is attached to the 6063-T832 aircraft aluminum frame with carbon filled nylon ties. What this simply means is that you cannot experience a catastrophic lacing failure. Though very strong, the ties are designed to have a breaking strength just less than the tear strength of the expensive neoprene decking. If one of the unipoint ties breaks, the action of your snowshoes will remain unchanged. By carrying a couple of extra ties in your pocket, You can quickly replace a lost tie while you're still out on the trip. The procedure is so simple that it must be seen to be appreciated.

Extra ties are included with each pair of Northern Lights.

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• Built-in traction bar leaves other snowshoes behind.

Your Northern Lights come equipped with a $1^1/_4$" deep, full width "claw" for unexcelled climbing on icy or crusted snow. The claw is lbcated right under the ball of your foot for the best gripping action. It gives you constant traction regardless of your foot action.

Some snowshoes boast of their hinged traction device—a part of the binding—which moves through an arc as you lift your foot. Whereas Northern Lights hold fast to the slope and let you move up as they grip the snow, the hinged traction device can shear away the very snow that's supposed to hold you.

• Complete with advanced binding.

Northern Lights feature the surest, easiest-to-use binding ever put on a snowshoe. They can be operated even while wearing heavy mittens.

Try this test with your Northern Lights: put a Northern Light on one foot and any other snowshoe on the other. Go for a walk over varied terrain. Note how the true tracking-self-aligning gimbled binding allows sure and effective edging while traversing.

You can adjust your Northern Lights to fit any boot from $3^1/_2$ to $5^1/_4$ inches wide. And you can tune them to accomodate a wide range of walking styles . . . "normal," flat footed, pigeon toed, tip-toeing, heal grinding and other assorted variations of preambulation.

The location of the binding can be moved forward or backward to suit the type of country you usually snowshoe. Set the binding back for gentle terrain; forward for the best climbing ability. This adjustment can be made with an ordinary screwdriver.

• No time-consuming maintenance.

Northern Lights have no wood or rawhide that needs varnishing; no complicated lacing to reweave if broken. They are assembled without welds, rivets, crimps or any other fastenings that require special tools or repair techniques. Made of modern, superstrong materials, they are virtually maintenance free.

• Choose from two sizes.

Solid neoprene decking gives your Northern Lights great floatation for their easy-to-handle sizes.

The 75 cm length (9"X$29^1/_2$") is for the heavy snows and hills of the Northeast and Northwest United States. It is an excellent shoe for spring mountaineering.

The 90 cm length (9"X$35^1/_2$") is for lighter snow conditions or heavier loads.

• Save money with an easy kit.

We almost hesitate to call this a "kit", since the word fosters visions of long evenings in a workshop.

Actually, you can assemble your Northern Lights in about 2 hours. All you need is a pair of pliers, a screwdriver, and scissors. Everything else is provided . . . including easy-to-understand instructions.

Our kit and your time will put you into a pair of the finest snowshoes available . . . all for less than you'd pay for ordinary snowshoes.

• The best reason of all . . . our guarantee!

We realize that the real test is how well they work *for you.* So order your pair of Northern Lights or a money-saving kit today. Put the Northern Lights on your own two feet and give them a real workout. If you are not totally satisfied in every way that they are the finest snowshoes you've ever used, simply return them postpaid and insured within 30 days for a full refund or exchange, as you wish.

You just can't go wrong.

Northern Lights Snowshoe Kits
No. 3515, 75cm kit . . • . $54.95 ppd
No. 3519, 90cm kit . . . . $64.95 ppd

Northern Lights Snowshoes
No. 3525, 75cm ..... $69.95 ppd
No. 3529, 90cm ..... $80.95 ppd

Tonkin Cane Poles (Pair)
An aid to balance. 125,135,145,155 cm
No. 3601 .....

Extra Cable Ties—Bundle of 2%/6^{889}/Pair
No. 3602 ..... $1.95

A New Dimension in Outdoor Pleasure.

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Guaranteed the world's finest snowshoes!

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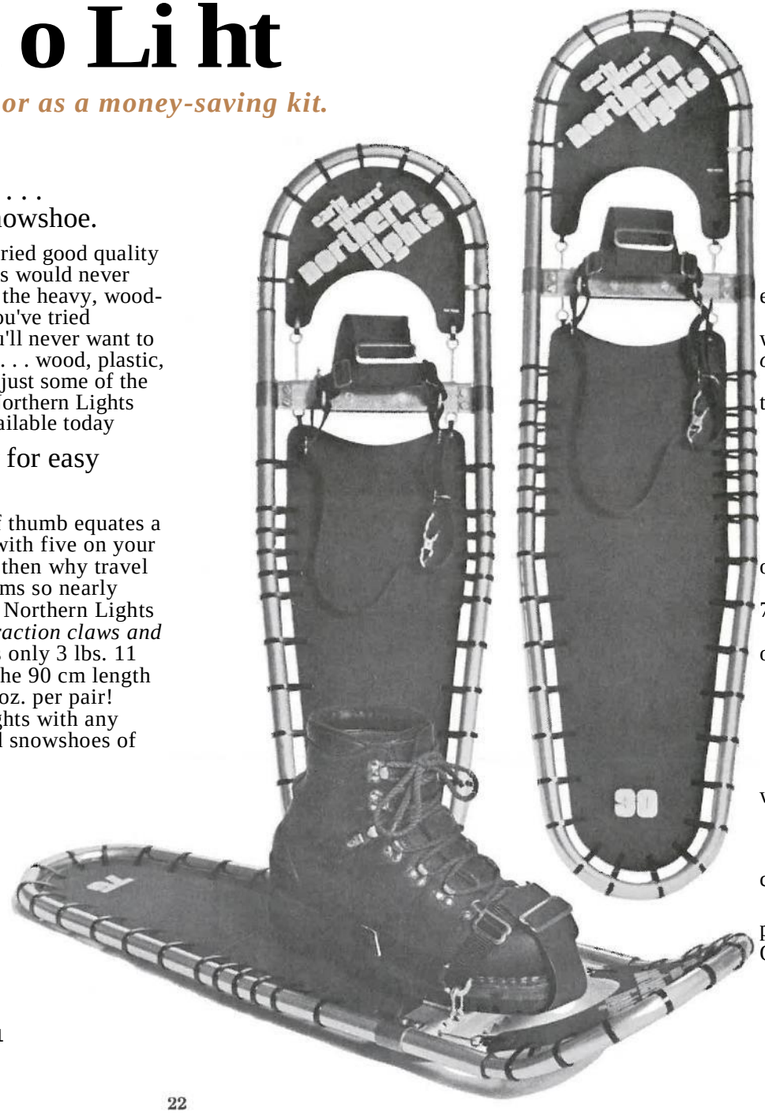
Assembled & ready to go . . . or as a money-saving kit.



Northern Lights . . . a new kind of snowshoe.

Anyone who has tried good quality aluminum snowshoes would never willingly go back to the heavy, wood-variety. And once you've tried Northern Lights, you'll never want to *any* other snowshoe . . . wood, plastic, aluminum. Here are just some of the features that make Northern Lights finest snowshoes available today

- Light weight for easy travel.

The standard rule of thumb equates a pound of your feet with five on your back. Little wonder then why travel Northern Lights seems so nearly effortless. A pair of Northern Lights . . . *complete with traction claws and bindings* . . . weighs only 3 lbs. 11 Northern Lights in the 90 cm length weigh only 4 lbs. 2 oz. per pair! Compare these weights with any other fully equipped snowshoes of similar size.

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mension to withstand the same winds that often crumple ordinary A-frame tents.

Set It Up in 1 Minute!

Amazing as it sounds, you can set up your Light Dimension in about 1 minute. Even less if you hurry!

Its 2 poles—the same precision, shock-loaded poles used so successfully in our highly respected, 4 season tent, the Omnipotent—snap together instantly with a mere flick of the wrist. These are slipped (from the top) into their respective sleeves, bowed out, and locked into place.

Two stakes in the front and one at back complete the pitching. There is no time consuming rainfly for you to stake out and adjust.

Poles snap together instantly for fast set up.

Room for 2—Light Enough for 1.

The Light Dimension's semi-circular cross section gives you 60% more space than you'd get in an A-Frame tent of the same height and width. Two adults can easily sit side-by-side without

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I think your tent is fantastic !
Walt Blackadar
Salmon, Idaho

The "Light Dimension" arrived just in time for a hike to the upper Kendrick Canyon area in North Yosemite Park. The tent is easy to pitch (less than 4 minutes on the first try), and comes down even easier. The uncomplicated mechanics involved in both operations are a definite asset when tired and dusk is approaching. A very light plastic ground cloth will probably add to the life of the tent bottom, though the tent material certainly seems tough enough.

The tent design is excellent. I am 6-1 and weigh 185 lbs. and had plenty of room. The mosquito netting is the best I've seen, keeping out the smallest animal life. I particularly like the feature of the slanted door opening. It's nice to be able to stand up with your feet still inside the tent. The two net side pockets are also handy for Mallory flashlight, little plastic bottles, handkerchief, and other small items usually difficult to locate in the dark, rolling around a tent floor. Yours for better backpacking, H.E.
San Carlos, California

I just received my "Light Dimension" and am more than impressed. Such superb workmanship, design, and materials is indeed refreshing to *see.*
G.P.
Idaho Falls, Idaho

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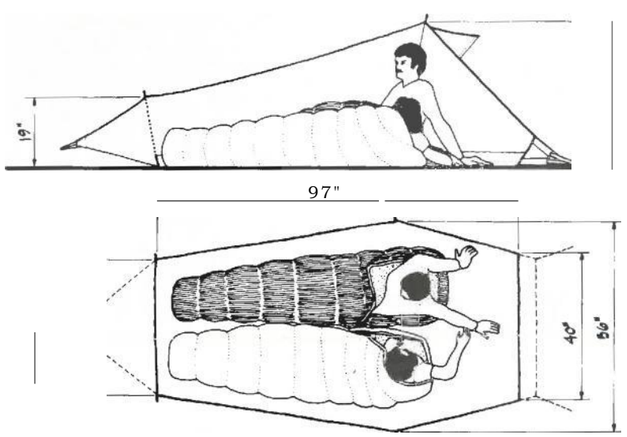
Performance is fantastic! On Kauai (highest annual rainfall of anywhere on earth), which is tropical and humid, the tent was both watertight and condensation free. On the windward side of the island, where the daily mean tradewind flow is 20-24 knots, I repeatedly pitched the tent in high winds (and often rain) with no problem in less than two minutes. And absolutely no fabric buffeting to keep me awake ! I haven't yet felt the need to fasten down the side guying lines—even in gusty winds near 40 mph.

In Alaska Basin during my one week stay in September, it rained hard or hailed every day. Everything in my roomy Light Dimension stayed dry. Even my son's sleeping bag pressed hard against the sidewall stayed dry. And on top of the superb total performance is the incredibly light weight and small package. I feel I'd like to get another just to put into storage as reserve.

Two criticisms only: it's exceedingly loud in hail. Impossible to sleep. Also, I suggest you color code the zipper pulls, as I did very easily myself. Or perhaps have different shapes of pulls for identification in the dark.

You have a marvellous product in the Light Dimension. Are your other products really as superior?
Robert A. Reeds
Los Angeles, California



You have a great product, and I admire the quality you maintain.

I'll be keen to see and use your new Gore-Tex garments.
Tom Frost
Ventura, California

A high strength tent anchor for sand & snow

It is not usual for me to write when I am satisfied with something I buy, but I really want you to know how pleased I am with the Light Dimension. It has rained *every time* I have been out this year, including an absolute downpour for 8 solid hours. The tent withstood everything, and I remained cozy and comfortable.

I wish the weather had been different this summer, but since it wasn't, I at least had my tent on my side!

I hope you'll be making rain clothes in the future.
J.L.
Seattle, Washington

Received my Light Dimension tent a couple of weeks ago, and it really measures up to my high hopes.

It's a beautiful tent, superb workmanship—and worth every penny.
J.M.
Seattle, Washington

This is a powerful tent anchor for use in sand, thin soils, and snow. It will hold down your tent in the biggest blow . . . long after ordinary stakes have pulled out.

Lucky Flukes have proven themselves time and again on stormy mountain climbs. Their holding power is phenomenal. For use in fine desert sand, they're a virtual necessity.

A dynamic "Dead Man".

For years, savvy woodsmen and mountaineers haVe anchored their tents to sticks, rocks, and pieces of personal equipment stomped or buried in the snow or sand. Such on-the-spot "dead men" usually work well—though even the soundest may work loose in the face of a bad storm.

To use a Lucky Fluke, all you have to do is slip it into the sand or snow and tie your anchor line to the webbing harness. It's that simple. The broad 6 by 8 inch face of the fluke gives you a firm plane of holding power.

The secret of the Lucky Fluke is that instead of coming out when pulled by a terrific gust of wind, it just digs in deeper. Its ability to transfer force into a downward movement means that you can count on your Lucky Flukes to save your tent when ordinary stakes would fail.

Light in weight.

Early Winters' Lucky Flukes are fabricated from 16 gauge 2024-T3 aircraft alloy aluminum. This is a very strong alloy . . . you can't bend it with your hands. Yet a Lucky Fluke complete with its I/2" waterproof webbing harness weighs less than 4 ozs.

If you travel to places where the lose of your tent in a storm would be a serious

"BEST TENT EVER MADE"

I think you should know the tent probably saved my life and the lives of 3 others. We were caught in an 85 knot gale on the Juneau Icefield. It was a hell of a night. The other tent we had tore and had to be taken down in the middle of the night in a driving sleet & freezing rain. I really didn't think any tent could take the beating that your Omnipotent took. But it did and kept us (4) dry. It took this beating with only 3 out of the 4 poles.

So tell your people "real good!" As far as I'm concerned, it's the best tent ever made and its one of the very best investments I've ever made. Hope you all prosper and make many, many more of them.
M.A.,Douglas, Alaska

PATAGONIA

We were forced off our climb of the Blade by typical Patagonian weather--fierce winds which brought storm after storm into the area. Your tents proved superb. We felt absolutely secure in placing the tent high in an exposed position. I don't think we would have felt sure of any other tent, with the weather conditions & wind being as they were. At the high camp, 3 of us lived in the tent for 3 days in inclement weather, and it was comfortable. All 3 of us were really impressed with the tent.
G.H.,Calgary, Alberta

"PLEASED WITH MY ALL-SEASON TENT"

I recently ordered & received one of your Omnipotent tents. You are correct that it is one thing to read brochures, compare by a check list, etc. and yet another to actually use an Omnipotent. What your brochure cannot show is the actual roominess of this tent. Although the price is rather high, one of the people in our group said that the next tent he gets will be an Omnipotent.

As you can see from this note, I am pleased with my "all-season" tent, especially its light weight and usuable volume. K.M.S.,Dayton, Ohio

Tent anchors that hold firm in any weather.

matter, remember this: Any way you look at it, a couple of Lucky Flukes is a lot of insurance for a small price.

The Lucky Fluke
No. $3.85
Save $1 ..... 2 for $6.70

"SUPERIOR TO ANY OTHER"

Having purchased an Omnipotent this summer, I must tell you how extremely

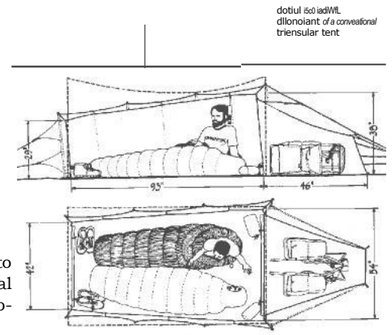
pleased I am with the tent. In the 15 years that I have been actively involved in backpacking and mountaineering, I have owned a number of tents and have found the Omnipotent's design superior to any of the others. I am looking forward to using the tent throughout the winter and appreciate the thought that went into both the design and workmanship.
R.S., Anchorage, Alaska

PREFER IT OVER ALL OTHERS

We spent 30 days on McKinley, up and down; I lived in the 0-tent for maybe 20 days or so and was tremendously impressed by its ability to prevent ice build up inside. Frost. This was a big help in keeping my camera equipment dry, not to mention me.

Temperatures on the climb fell as far as -35 or maybe -40, we aren't exactly certain, and the 0-tent was much warmer than the other tents the expedition used. At this point, I'd prefer to take the 0-tent over all others on any climb in Alaska for its stability in high winds, its ease of erection and its lack of interior frost.
D.C., Anchorage, Alaska

Zip on a Vestibule for extra storage & cooking space ...



Need extra storage space and a place to cook? Just zip a vestibule to the special accessory zipper built into your Omnipotent.

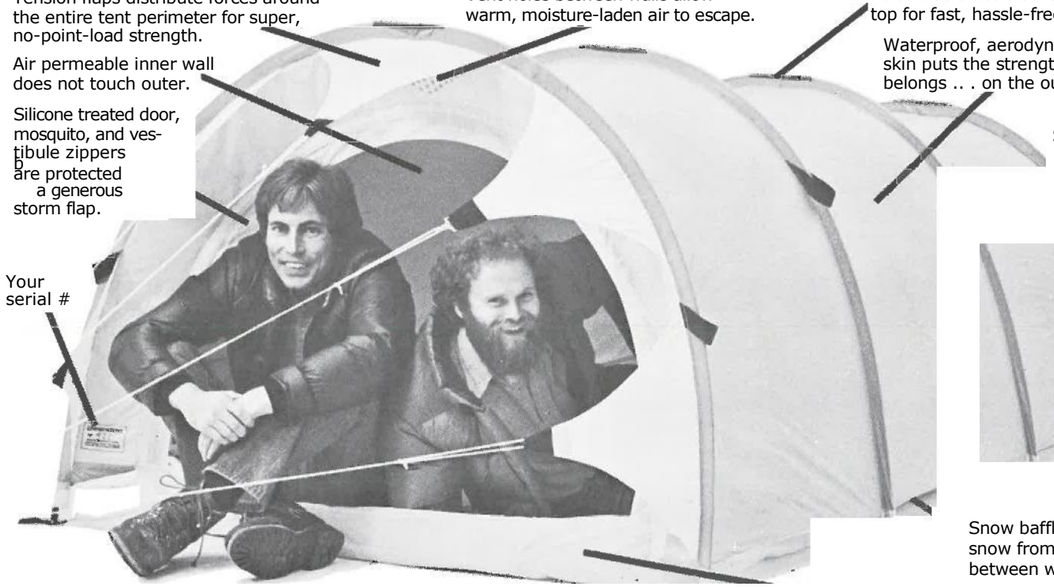
You'll find the vestibule especially useful for winter camping. It keeps your gear from being buried in the snow and makes a big, ventilated space for cooking. At the same time, the protected, floorless area makes an ideal place from which to scoop snow to melt for water.

When you've finished cooking, close off the tent's front door. You won't waste heat warming the vestibule's storage space.

In the summer, take off the vestibule and store it in its carrying sack. Or take it along for extra protection on rainy days.

Weight: 9 ozs. in storage sack.

Omnipotent Vestibule
No. 0201 ..... $30.00 ppd *Vestibule adds only 9 ozs! Expands living space.*



Early Winters Omnipotent
No. 0101 ..... $288.00 ppd

Specifications

Weight

5 lbs. 9 oz. (2.52 kg) including: tent, poles, cordage & stuff sack.
Optional vestibule & stuff sack-9 oz.

Interior Size

Length: 93" (236 cm)
Width: 54" (137 cm), front
42" (207 cm), rear
Height: 38" (97 cm), front
29" (74 cm), rear

Materials

Outer wall: 2.2 oz. polymer coated rip-stop, Medium Blue.
Inner wall: 1.5 oz. ripstop, Acapulco Gold
Floor: 3.3 oz. polymer coated ripstop, Silver Grey or Sand.
Doors: 3 layer Gore-Tex' laminate, Gold
Tension flaps: 2.2 oz. stabilized ripstop, Bright Yellow.
Mosquito doors: micro-knit netting, Lime Green.
Zippers: Doors & Vestibule—Talon ladder coil. Mosquito netting—Talon spiral coil.
Pole shafts: Hollow, hand-laid, woven fiberglass tubing individually tested.
Pole couplings: Machined aircraft alloy aluminum. Slide coupling knurled. Pole shock cord: 1/8" nylon sheath, rubber core shock cord.
End tether tensioners: 5/16" nylon sheath, rubber core shock cord.

bumping the roof or sides.

More than 8 feet of inside floor length means plenty of room for sleeping as well as space to stash gear.

If you ever travel by yourself you'll find your Light Dimension ideal. Its easy-to-carry weight & dependable strength makes solitary adventuring feasible & enjoyable.

Sun, Rain, Wind and Stars . . .

When the night is mild and no rain threatens, why not sleep under the stars? You can in your Light Dimension. Leave thee door open and you're free to gaze up at the celestial sphere.

Bugs a problem? They won't be when you zip the ultra fine, knit netting over the door. Even no-see-ums are frustrated by this netting! On warm or balmy nights, open up the large, insect-proof Window-vent at the back of your tent. You'll get a flow of cooling air.

Now available in two color combinations.

If it starts to rain—don't get out of your sleeping bag. Just reach back and zip the door shut. An unique system of 2 parallel rows of silicone treated zippers makes your Light Dimension leak proof even in the hardest rains. No other tent uses this zipper system. It's guaranteed to keep you absolutely dry.

Fresh air and ventilation is no problem, even in bad weather. The big, back vent is protected on the outside by the fabric tensioning cone. Open the vent a little, or a lot. You get just the amount of ventilation that you want. Want more air or a view? Zip down the door a ways. The weather hood will keep out the rain.

In normal use, 3 stakes are all you'll need. The back staking line comes fitted with a heavy duty shock cord loop that keeps the Light Dimension stretched tight—even in the morning dew. You'll never have to crawl out in the middle of the night to tighten a baggy tent.

When the winds get wild, tie down the side guying loops. Proven poles and streamlined shape insure that your Light Dimension will still stand after ordinary tents have collapsed.

Truly years ahead in design and technology, the Light Dimension is the ideal 3 season tent for backpackers, cyclists, ski tourists . . . anyone who carries their shelter with them. We recommend it for all of your activities except severe mountaineering or hard winter use where much snowfall is anticipated. In these cases, we feel that our Omnipotent—designed specifically to handle these conditions—would be more suitable.

We Guarantee Your Satisfaction.

The Light Dimension is made of the finest available materials, each chosen for its function, regardless of cost.

Every tent is sewn in our Seattle shop by exceptionally skilled sewing machine operators paid high hourly wages. This assures that the quality of the finished tent is always held above the quantity produced.

All materials and sewn parts are constantly inspected as part of our continual drive for unrivaled quality. Only when we are sure that each Light Dimension is worthy of our name do we give it its individual serial number.

Enjoy the Light Dimension on your next outdoor trip. If you don't find it a most satisfying piece of outdoor equipment, return it within 30 days for a full refund.

We guarantee your satisfaction.

Colors: Sierra Gold or Meadow Green. Please specify.

Early Winters' Light Dimension
No. 0102 ..... $195.00 ppd

Our hands-down favorites

Superb packs for backpacking, mountaineering, skiing, & travel!

This pack is one of our most popular items for three very important reasons:

1. It carries a great variety of loads, both large and small. Yet you have fast access to any item you want . . . without unpacking everything. It doesn't take a clairvoyant to find a pair of socks in an Early Winters pack!

2. The X-frame suspension system, sewn-in waist belt, and comfortable hug-the-back design means this pack is exceptionally suited to climbing, roaming, and skiing—not just backpacking on trails. This is a true multipurpose pack with no sacrifice of performance where you really need it . . . off the trail!

3. Because we're sticklers for detail, only the best materials and microscopic perfection will do. Your Early Winters' Schonhofen will last and last. You can count on it, without worrying about it!

Feel the difference.

The Early Winters' Schonhofen pack is a great blend of design and materials. Aircraft aluminum staves, carefully shaped to the curve of a human back, cross the pack from corner to corner inside of the pack bag. The purpose of this internal X-frame is to hold the pack's shape. At the same time it distributes the load comfortably between your shoulders and your hips.

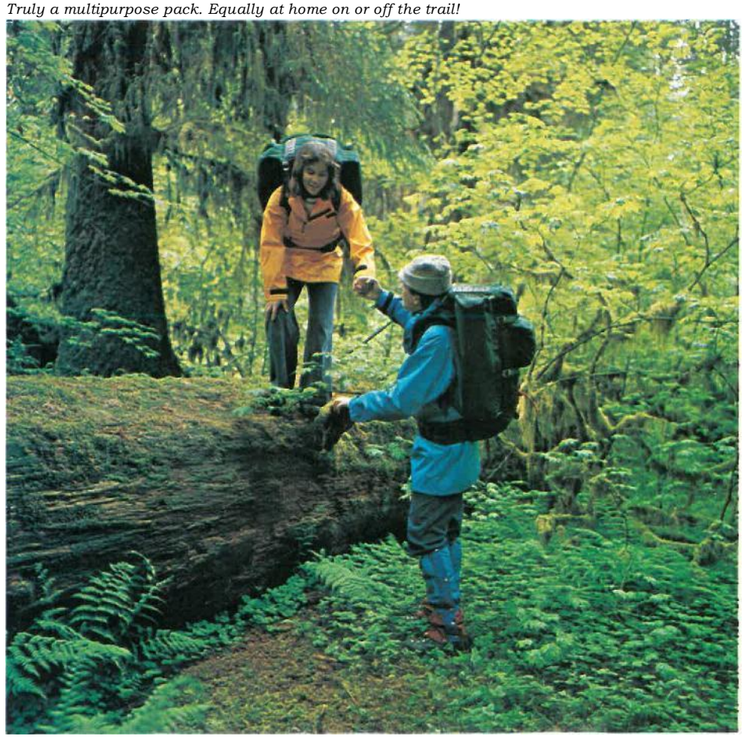
Because the frame is inside of the pack instead of outside, the Schonhofen design rides close to your back without swaying. This means you use less energy—and get less tired—than you would with a regular frame pack where the weight is carried farther from your back.

Need a sweater, your camera or rainwear? Just zip open the large back panel for quick access to everything.

Sewn right into the bottom of the pack is a comfortable, fully padded hipbelt. Like all good hipbelts, it holds the pack snugly at your waist and distributes part of the weight to your hips. But because it's sewn to the pack, it helps prevent the energy waisting "sloshing" motion common with separate hipbelts. It's more costly to make packs this way, but the added performance more than justifies the extra work.

All of these features add up to make an unique difference. We've tested this pack side-by-side with well-known frame & soft packs . . . as well as other "X" type packs. The Early Winters' Schonhofen pack is definately more comfortable and easy to use. On several long mountain trips, the testers actually argued over who would get to wear the Early Winters' pack!

Truly a multipurpose pack. Equally at home on or off the trail!



Easy load adjustment

Large side pockets open with handy Cord ura lace pulls.

"I've used your pack on about 15 ski mountaineering trips, as well as 2 climbing expeditions into the Canadian Interior Ranges. I find it an exceptional ski pack due to the lack of sway & the ease with which I can strap my skiis under the back compression straps. It has taken tremendous abuse, refuses to break, & is the most comfortable pack I've owned."—BN, Seattle

Proven throughout the world. 5'h lbs. of go-anywhere shelter.

clothing. The front loop is also perfect for hanging a French Alpinist's Lantern for warmth and a cheery light.

Every Omnipotent comes with a built-in accessory zipper near the front door. The optional vestibule, which weighs 9 ozs., attaches to this accessory zipper.

We've found the vestibule very useful for winter camping. It keeps gear from being buried in the snow and provides a protected, floorless area where you can scoop snow to melt for water without having to go outside.

The vent at the top of the vestibule allows protected ventilation when cooking in your tent with the front door open.

The vestibule can also be used in the summer when much rain is anticipated. It is a practical addition for expanding the volume and extending the use of your tent.

❑ A *tent is only as good as the materials and workmanship . . . and ours is the best.* The Omnipotent of today is a result of a constant refinement of materials and techniques. We take no short cuts in production, and we've never spared any expense in procuring the exact materials for each of the 171 pieces necessary to make this tent. Making Omnipotents is so time consuming and demanding that we limit our production to 400 tents a year to assure you of the highest standards of quality.

Our guarantee says it best.

We could easily go to great lengths telling you stories of people who credit their lives to this tent. And we could set forth every last engineering, design, and construction detail. But when you think about it, what really matters is how well you Omnipotent works for you.

From demanding backpacking trips to severe alpine climbs in the Cordillera Blanca, you just can't beat the strength, light weight and versatility of an Omnipotent. So, if you need secure shelter for a climb of Mt. McKinley, a tent for treking in Nepal, or a backpacking tent with strength to spare "just in case" . . . get yourself an Omnipotent. When it arrives, read the instructions, set it up, and examine it in detail. If you're not more than pleased with your Omnipotent and convinced that it is the finest tent you've ever used, just return it postpaid and insured within 30 days for a full refund or exchange, as you wish.

As with everything we sell, the Omnipotent is waranteed to the original owner against defects in workmanship and materials. We will replace or repair to your satisfaction any tent found defective—at no cost to you.

Early Winters Omnipotent
No. 0101 ..... $288.00 ppd
Omnipotent Vestibule
No. 0201 ..... $30.00 ppd

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The Omnipotent®

The world standard for strength. light weight, & ease of use.

Four years ago we introduced the Omnipotent with the prediction that it would "set new standards of comfort, convenience, reliability and lightness in mountaineering and hiking tents."

The tent was new and novel then; the skeptics many.

Few would dispute that prediction now.

Made in limited quantities for those who need the best.

The Omnipotent will never be a mass produced tent. Our quality control is so strict, the work so demanding, and the tent so complex that we must limit our production to about 400 tents each year.

This is a very special tent. It is a tent for the serious mountaineer, the winter camper, and those who trek through high and wild places.

It weighs 5$^1/_2$ pounds. You set it up fast. And it's designed to take wind, rain, and snow . . . in any combination the world can muster.

When your life's on the line, have the Omnipotent on your side.

Given 12 pounds of fabric and fittings, most manufacturers of lightweight nylon tents can make a reasonably strong mountaineering tent. And if you're willing to carry those 12 pounds and play around with a rainfly and 15 or so stakes, you'll probably get by okay.

But at 5$^1/_2$ pounds, hardly anyone makes a decent summer tent . . . let alone a tent called by the President of the International Association of Swiss Mountain Guides the "best of all tents on the market, including the European models."

The Omnipotent is the only 2-person tent in the world which will protect you from 90 knot winds, monsoon rains, biting insects, and thousands of pounds of snow loading . . . and at the same time weighs only 5$^1/_2$ pounds and packs to a compact 7"X16" bundle.

Here are just a few of the reasons why the Omnipotent has become the most sought after tent in the world today.

0 *We put the strength on the outside . . . where it belongs!* If you've ever pitched a tent in a sudden downpour, you've probably cursed the separate rainfly needed by most tents. We eliminated the problems of a separate rainfly by building ours into the tent as an integrated outer wall. The outer wall of your Omnipotent is an aerodynamic, structural, stretched-skin which gives great strength to the tent. Compare this with normal tents where the rainfly just hangs above the tent, flapping in the wind, ready to be torn away by a sudden gust.

0 *Lots of room for its size.* Because of its semi-circular cross section, the Omnipotent has over 60% more volume than a triangular tent of the same height and width. None of this volume is wasted space . . . as in the peaks and corners of a triangular tent.

The Omnipotent's efficient shape gives you plenty of room for sitting and sleeping, as well as increased ventilation and a spacious feeling.

0 *Set it up fast.* We know of only one tent which can be set up faster than an Omnipotent . . . our Light Dimension.

To pitch an Omnipotent, just give the 4 shock-corded precision fiberglass poles a shake. They instantly snap together. Slide them—from the top of the tent—into their sleeves, bow them out, and lock the slide coupling in place. The tent needs only two anchors, one in front and one in back. There is no time consuming rainfly to stake out and adjust.

You can pitch your Omnipotent in under 5 minutes . . . even in bad weather. This is a big advantage, since the last thing you want to do at the end of a day is spend a lot of tinie putting up a tent.

0 *A true 4 season tent.* Just because the Omnipotent was designed as secure, lightweight shelter for the alpine style mountaineer, don't think that you can't use yours for summer backpacking and camping.

At 5$^1/_2$ lbs. it is still lighter than ordinary summer tents. On hot days, open the large doors at each end. Zip up the no-see-urn proof netting doors, and the Omnipotent becomes a haven from mosquitos and their pesky allies. Since the doors are vertical and protected by an overhanging eave, you can leave them open on calm, rainy days so that you can enjoy the view and fresh air.

0 *Extra features give you greater livability.* The Omnipotent comes with several small features which add greatly to the livability of a tent. Divided netting pockets on each side at the front are handy for stashing your glasses, matches, maps, reading material, and other small items. Loops sewn at the top of the inner wall allow you to string a clothes line for drying out socks and

The closest thing yet to the perfect pack.

The Early Winters' Schonhofen is the easiest-to-use pack we know of.

The back of the pack opens and closes completely by means of a rugged #10 YKK self-repairing zipper with double sliders. This allows you immediate access to any item (rain jacket, camera, or snack) without having to unload everything else. Generous, zippered pockets on the sides and back flap give you extra storage space . . . in fact our Light Dimension' tent fits nicely into the side pocket of the Grand Exit model!

The Early Winters' Schonhofen pack is made from waterproof 12 oz. nylon Cordura®, the strongest, most abrasion resistant nylon available. Every . . . that's every . . . seam on the pack is double sewn with heavy pack thread. Stressed points get 5 to 8 lines of extra stitching plus reinforcing material wherever needed. That's confidence where it really counts!

Great versatility.

Accessory Belt Pack

Virtually all of us here at Early Winters own and use this pack. We've found these packs see more use than almost any single piece of our outdoor gear.

This is not only an excellent trail pack, but it's our favorite pack for mountain climbing and ski touring. When it comes to plain old "bushwhacking," we've yet to find anything better. While most packs seem to have a mind of their own . . . moving this way when you go that, and hanging up on every tree limb unless you bend over double . . . the Schonhofen design seems to become a close-fitting part of your own body.

We've found that the more you use this pack, the more you'll appreciate its great versatility.

Try it on your next outing.

Order an Early Winters' Schonhofen pack today. When it arrives, check out its clean, functional design and fine workmanship. Zip open the large back panel and fill the pack with phone books, your backpacking gear or anything handy. Take a walk around the block or down the road. Feel how your new pack fits your back and seems to become a part of you.

Then take it out and put it to the test. Try it on your next outdoor trip. If you're not pleased in every way . . . if you don't think that this is the best all-round pack you've ever used . . . just return it within 30 days for a full refund or exchange, as you wish.

We think you'll love it!

Early Winters Grand Exit

This is the regular size model for backpacking, mountaineering and ski trips of several days.

Men over 6'2" and women over 5'10" should specify "tall fit." It does not fit most women under 5'6" or people with shorter than average backs.

The main compartment is 16" wide, 25" long and 7%" deep. The side pockets measure 19"X6"X2$^1/_2$". The flap pocket measures 10"X 7 "X 2$^1/_2$".

Early Winters Exit

This is the model for men under 5'4" and women under 5'6". It is excellent for ski touring, backpacking & mountaineering. It has all of the features of the Grand Exit—just sized specifically for most women and shorter men.

It's shown here with the optional Cargo Sack which fits both packs. The Cargo Sack adds more volume for longer trips.

Bag: 16"X21 "X7$^3/_4$". Side pockets: 12"X6"X2$^1/_2$". Same size flap pocket.

Mike Schonhofen . . . an artist in backpacks . . . a perfectionist for your sake!

Mike Schonhofen is a Seattle custom pack maker whose name is destined for fame. For several years he has designed and sold backpacks . . . and his packs show great refinement and remarkable balance between all components.

Mike's a true perfectionist who wouldn't dream of sacrificing quality to cut costs. Every piece of the Early Winters' Schonhofen pack is made by us to his critical standards. We simply wouldn't have it any other way.

We feel fortunate having known Mike ever since he and his wife Margaret moved to the Northwest. We've become fast friends . . . he's made us the recipient of some of his finest work . . . and we're glad to be able to pass it on for your enjoyment.

Pack Accessories

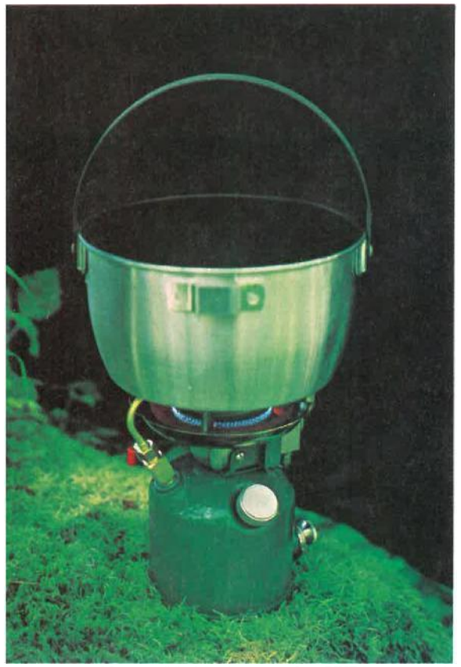
Cargo Sack of Cordura for added volume
No. 2402 ..... $7.50

Accessory Straps 1" webbing with 1" double bar buckles. 2-36", 2-45" & 1-10".
No. 2401 ..... $3.75

Belt Pack fits on pack waist belt or your trouser belt.
No. 2222 ..... $4.95

Color: British Green
Weights: Grand Exit, 4 lbs. 2 ozs., Exit, 3 lbs. 14 ozs.

Early Winters Grand Exit
No. 2201 ..... $89.95 ppd
Early Winters Exit
No. 2202 ..... $79.95 ppd



10 ozs. of fuel in the stove & a PINT in your pack gives you over 3 hrs. of cooking time with the throttle wide open—more than 9 just simmering!

New from Peak 1 .

The tough little stove that does it all.

Why do we offer the Peak 1 stove? Because we're excited about it!

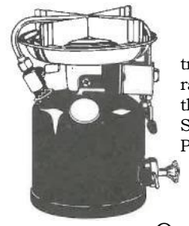
We honestly believe that the Peak 1 stove is the best all-purpose stove you can buy. It starts without priming . . . blasts out tremendous heat when you need it . . . yet throttles so impressively low that you might think it's gone out.

And at only $27.50—complete with an Early Winters storage sack— it's a down-right deal.

A real performer.

You'll find your Peak 1 stove fast and easy to use. It starts without fuss and reaches full power in less than 2 minutes. With its big 8500 BTUH output, it can boil a quart of water in just 3 minutes—or melt snow as fast as a blowtorch. No more vigils just to brew up a batch of soup!

Yet when you need less power . . . to simmer a stew, fry an egg, or just keep your spaghetti warm . . . you can reduce the heat to almost nothing. If you've dealt with the finicky, often hot, hair-trigger controls common on so many stoves, you'll



Integral "X" shaped windshield is highly effective. 1 quadrant can blow out while others keep burning.

truly appreciate the full range of burner control the Peak 1 gives you. Since we've begun using Peak 1 stoves, our cook ing has improved and we're using less fuel.

Quiet as a breeze.

Most lightweight stoves are so noisy you'd swear they were designed by the same fellow who invented the jet engine!

The Peak 1 is a pleasant surprise. It pumps out the heat with just a friendly whisper. You can cook and talk without shouting to be heard.

And isn't that part of what it's all about?

Weight: 1 lb. 15 oz.
Size: $4^1/_2$X$6^1/_2$" in green pack cloth storage sack with toggle closure.
Fuel: White gas or Coleman fuel.

Peak 1 Stove with storage sack
No. 0601 ..... $27.50 ppd

An extremely light cooking system for solo travelers & mountaineers, Travel bag included.

A swift, sure stove for go-light wandering . . .

The Lone Ranger is an unique stove system. It weighs just 17 ozs., complete with fuel & 1 quart cook set. It needs no priming, lights with just a touch of a match, and burns for more than 3 hours on a can of fuel.

Light in weight & fuss-free, it's an ideal stove for solo travelers and bivouacing mountaineering parties.

Unusual stove & pot lock together.

Our Lone Ranger stove is made in Germany. It was originally developed as a complete, lightweight stove system for use during mountaineering bivouacs. Bivouacs demand not so much a stove to cook gourmet meals, as a foolproof means of brewing hot soup, freeze dried food, or a steaming drink to lend cheer and nourishment.

The Lone Ranger is unique in that you can cook anywhere with it. Special clips lock the stove & pot together as one solid unit which you can pick up and move around with the pot lifter handles. On irregular ground, steady the stove-pot combination with one hand and stir your meal with the other. You can even hang the Lone Ranger with cord from its handles & cook where there's absolutely no place at all to stand the stove.

Everything you need.

Order your Lone Ranger now and use it on your next outdoor trip. Great for cycling, hiking & climbing, its light weight & easy operation make it equally suited to ski touring, picnicing, kayaking . . . even for emergency home & car use.

The Lone Ranger comes complete with stove, fuel, pot clips, handles, cooking pot with lid, and special travel bag for storage and protection.

Packed size: $3^1/_2$X$5^1/_2$"
Fuel: Lone Ranger, Coleman, Optimus, or Primus cartridges.

Lone Ranger Stove System
No. 0600 ..... $23.50 ppd
Lone Ranger Fuel Cartridge
No. 0650 ..... $2.35 ea.

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After just a few choices, you'll come to the name and a drawing of the tree you're seeking. You'll also find a map of the tree's range, its scientific name, its favorite habitat, and some interesting facts concerning the particular tree.

Each tree finder is indexed for cross reference & features an informative introduction.

Highly recommended!

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A cheery light to warm & brighten your tent & camp.

French Alpinist's Lantern

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Compact for easy packing.

This is the modern version of the old-time alpinist's lamp. It's a true workhorse . . . designed to give you several hours of trouble-free light for your camp and tent. It's your own 4 ozs. of mountaineering history brought up to date by the use of light, aluminum alloy.

Lamps like this have played an integral role in the remarkable story of mountaineering and have lighted many a night before a great ascent.

Its warm, natural light sets the perfect mood for a round of story telling . or a last check of the map before morning.

"Mountaineer's Secret"

Your French Lantern will be more than a flashlight. It has been called the "Mountaineer's Secret" . and not without reason. Many a bitter, cold night has been rendered bearable by the heat cast from the Alpinist's Lantern. Your lantern will not only light and heat your tent, but the warmth in turn will discourage the formation of water condensation which often appears at cooler temperatures

In an emergency in a properly vented snow cave, your lantern will make the air seem tropical when compared to the weather outside.

Safe & easy to use.

In use the Alpinist's Lantern measures 11" in height and 2" in diameter. It telescopes shut to a handy 4%" for easy packing—without having to remove the candle as you would with a fold-up candle lantern. It comes equipped with a locking bail, as well as a chain and sturdy hook for easy hanging anywhere.

A significant feature of this lamp is that the flame is always at the same height. An ingenious spring system pushes the candle up at exactly the same rate as it burns. This means that you get longer life from each candle since none is wasted by dripping.

A big job for a small price.

Use your French Alpinist's Lantern to warm your tent, read a novel .. . or as a mellow light for a mountain version of "dinner for two by candlelight." Its many uses and pleasant company will justify its small price time and again.

French Alpinist's Lantern

No. 5401 ..... $9.45

Candles. Rare 100% purebtearine candles burn 3 hrs. eachoswati't soften or melt in your pack. G.4 A 0% more heat; 20% more light thaatObgular paraffin candles. Great!

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